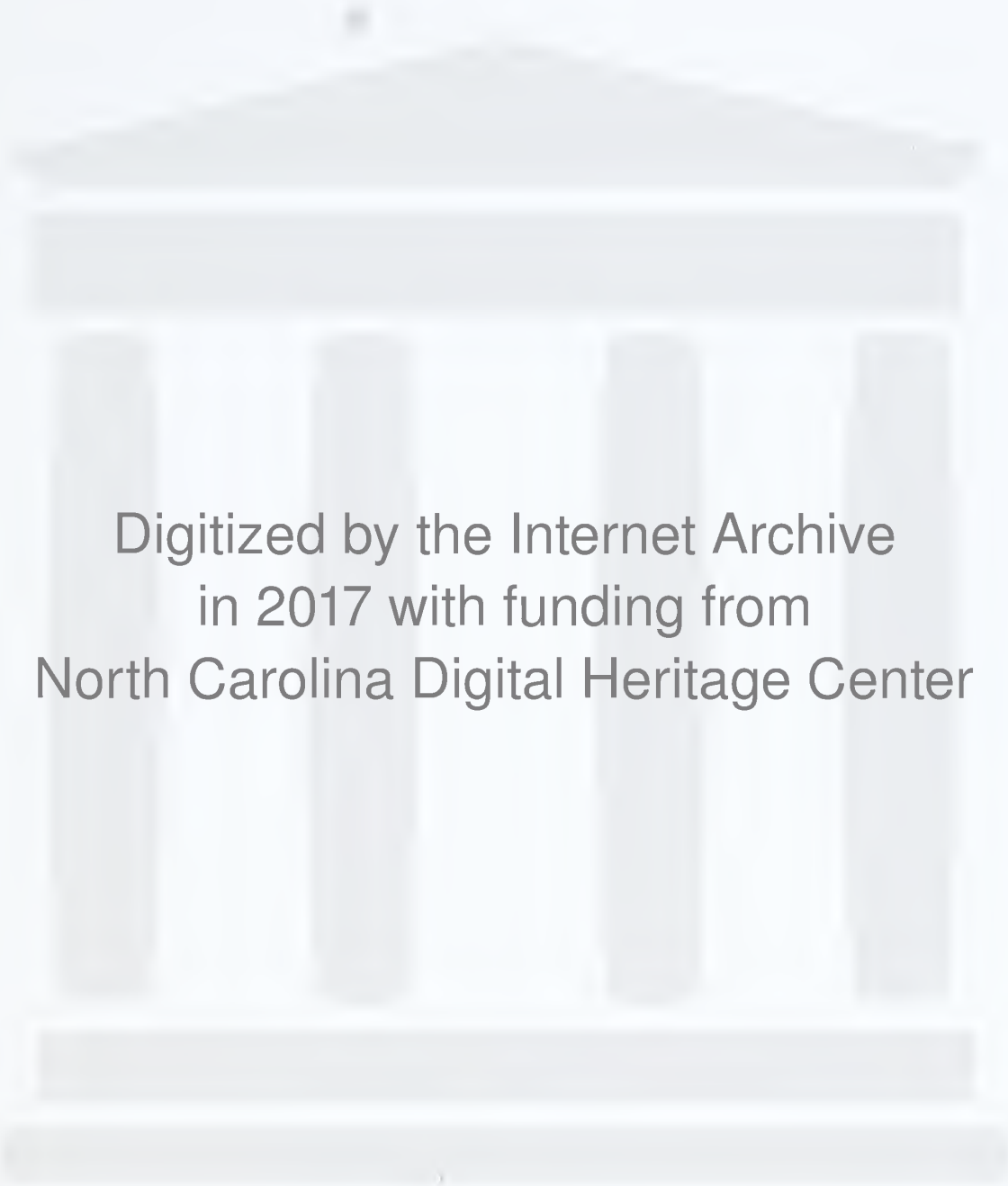

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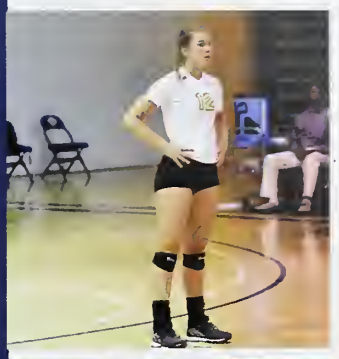
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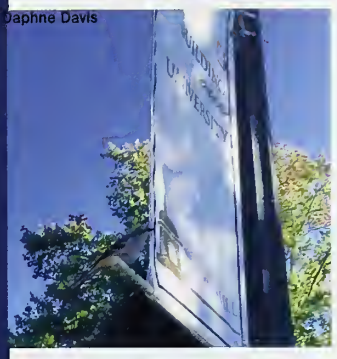
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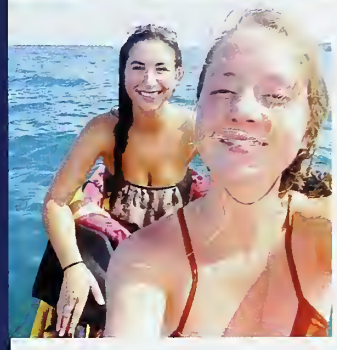
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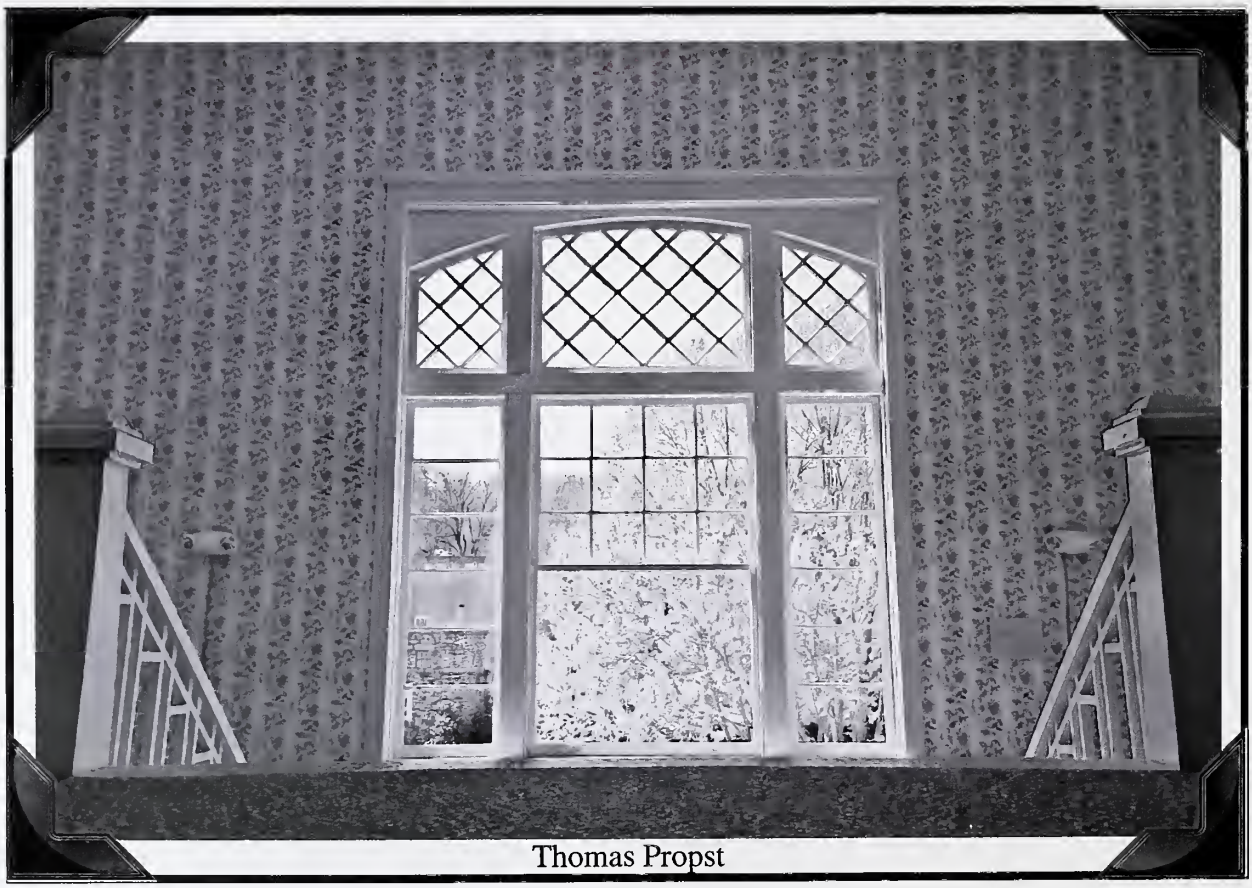
Raising the Hill



Daphne Davis



Jose Leon Perez



Thomas Propst

Student Photo Contest



Jessica Woodburn



Megan Bushey

The Laurel staff held a photo contest to recognize the talent of students at MHU. Prizes were awarded to the following:
Best overall compostion- Jose Leon Perez, Most creative- Thomas Propst, Best college life- Jessica Woodburn, Best scenery- Daphne Davis, and the Judge's choice- Megan Bushey.
Thank you to all those who participated and shared their talent with us. More photos can be found throughout the yearbook.

Seniors

Michael Ashley
Haeley Baker
Lindsey Ball
Bill Barrett
Leah Behar



Adrian Bentley
Mitchell Blackmon
Stephen Bomar
Tamela Boyd
Michael Boydston



Raven Brown
Brittany Chandler
Pedro Chaves
John Croom
Gabriel Crumpler



Megan Currie
Cody Dill
Lacy Dill
Matthew Dill
Anna Dillon



Brittany Duckett
Krista Dunlap
Aerial Ellis
Hunter Ellison
Victoria Fish



Class of 2016



Alison Fridley
Matthew Frye
Dontonio Garrison
Timothy Garrison
Tremaine Goddard

Alex Griggs
Michala Guinn
Charles Hartzog
Savannah Hayes
Kevin Haynes

Daniel Henry
Destiny Hewett
Natalie Hilbig
Brook Hudson
Megan Hutson

Elijah Jones
Eugene Jones
Emily Lasasso
James Lee
Arsidez Leon

Daniel Lerner
Blair Long
Shandellah Martin
Patricia Mathes
Johnny Maxey

Jerome Maybank
Savannah Maynor
Cameron McDaniel
Joshua Messer
Tyler Moffat

William Nanney
Nancy Nelson
Jenna Parker
Jared Parthe
Elizabeth Patrick

Isaiah Phyall
Kelsey Poole
Rachel Possinger
Tyler Prestridge
Cesar Reyes

Justina Rieger
Lacey Robinson
Evan Rogers
Khloe' Rowe
Jonathan Scalf

Megan Shiflett
Tyler Sides
Patrick Smith
Jonathan Spence
Desmond Spikes





Sumner Stancill
Ashley Staton
Amethyst Strivelli
Holly Townsend
Hunter Townsend

Jared Turbyfill
Daniella Van Dreel
Kessio Viegas
Robert Walters
Saxon Weil

Nathan Wheeler
Austin Williams
Marquez Williams
Jessica Woodburn



Juniors Class of 2017



Shakira Allen
James Anderson
Zachary Ballard
Brandon Bilbija
Ryan Boren



Lyndsey Cain
Monica Calhoun
David Campbell
Alan Cannon
Lily Chapman



Aiyana Chin
Joshua Clark
Rachel Clark
Logan Conley
Megan Cottrell



Meredith Cottrell
Carlos Cruz
Ashley Cuellar
Darius Cunningham
Hailey Davis





Sydney Elkin
Gabrielle Francis
Charles Franklin
Cindy Garcia
Brittney Gennarelli



Charles Gilchrist
Emily Grasso
Mary Kate Griffin
Evan Hall
Tyler Harper



Kaitlyn Hedrick
Caroline Hensley
Austin Hille
Charles Hillin
Alexander Hoadley



Michaela Hulsey
Lourie Jaradat
Michael Johnson
Michalea Jones
Victoria Kaiser



Joo Kim
Robert Kolb
Darryl Lewis
Michael Lyons
Nicole Marcello



Dakota Martin
Ryan Martin
Kacie Mauldin
Laura Maynard
Brandon McCarter

Amine Merdjett-Yahia
Tyler Mericka
Autumn Merrill
Morgan Meyer
Briana Norman



Michael D Norman
Marissa Norton
Timothy Pace
Tyler Parrish
Clayton Peregoy



Valesca Perez
Kendall Pickett
Arialdys Pimentel
Brandon Pineiro
Samantha Proppe



Samuel Ransom
Karen Romero
Isaac Roots
Nicolas Sanders
Jessica Scott



Tessa Seidel
Lathan Sowell
Hannah Stapleton
Adhika Tahija
Connon Talbot



Alexis Tyler
Seth VanDerwerken
Ky'Rawn Whitfield
Samantha Williams
Jae Wright



Sophomore Class of 2018





Marlon Allen
Amanda Anderson
Malik Anderson
Austin Arditti
Brandon Beard
Jacob Bell



Abigail Biskach
Andrew Blanton
Adasia Bradshaw
Samantha Burns
Victoria Burns
Rebecca Butler



Nathan Carver
Jessica Childers
Kyree' Connor
Wesley Cottrill
Heather Darling
Alexandria Douglas



Derek English
Josh Epley
Jennifer Falcigno
Anthony Farmer
Thomas Ferreira
Matthew Foster



Tiara Frazier
Rachel Fuqua
Ethan Gillis
Venicka Girtman
Perry Grant
Jeffrey Grier

Marissa Hall
Mark Hartmann
Jaylon Harvey
Josephine Heiderich
Taylor Hendrix
Lauren Hochstetler

Emmanuel Hollifield
Danielle Hughes
Javin Hughes
Merrill Hunter
Fallon Hyder
Alyssa Isenhour

Kaleigh Jackson
Ward Jarvis
Megan Johnson
Kayleigh Jonas
Trezmon Kane
Ryan Kearney

Matthew Keenan
Elizabeth Kihm
Kayla Kirtner
Nicholas Lilly
Zachary Lohman
Ben Lucas

Jennifer Lucas
Hall Marissa
Patrick Martin
Tyler Martin
Thomas Mastrodonato
Kaleb McCurry

Sean McGahee
Janaya Moody
Surmon Neal
Michael Norman
Savannah Owens
Cassandra Pearson

Malorie Pickett
Emily Price
Katelyn Puckett
Alauna Reckley
Sakinna Richardson
Lindsey Sears





McKenzie Shubert
Courtney Simpkins
Megan Smith
Tanner Smith
Mikayla Sproul
Carlee Stevens

Nathan Stewart
Jessica Stigall
Amber Strange
Selin Talay
Jordan Talley
Keshaun Taylor

Taylor Tester
Luke Van Rijn
Vanessa Viscusi
Daniel Vitello
Stephanie Wallin
Savone Wardlaw

Megan Warren
Brandon Watkins
Kasey Whitson
Andrea Wolfrey
Chandler Young



First year students

Collin Adams
John Allen
Zackary Allen
Alayshia Alston
Hannah Anders
Keely Andress
Spencer Andrews

Brooke Anthony Robinson
Yuliana Arriola
Jordan Bair
Callie Baity
Melody Baker
Brenna Banks
Alesha Barnum

Ashley Belk
Tyrece Bell
Michael Benner
Makenzie Bennett
Digna Bermudez
Margaret Berry
Nattally Best

Nicholas Bingham
Ishemia Bivens
Katharine Boggs
Kathryn Boland
Priscilla Bonner
Brittany Boseman
Austin Bouchard

Charles Bowles
Lillian Bradley
Adasia Bradshaw
Noah Bradshaw
Anna Brendle
Julia Bridges
Alexandria Britt

Nathan Britt
Raven Brooks
Tanner Brooks
Willard Brooks
Ragan Broome
Ashanti Brown
Austin Brown

Jazlon Brown-Waddell
Brett Brubaker
Elisa Brunner
Brianna Bryant
Joshua Bryers
Madison Bumgarner
Taylor Burgess

Tyler Burgess
Isaiah Burris
Brynn Burton
Harrison Butler
Patrick Calloway
Angela Camargo
Shamya Carr



Class of 2019



James Carver
Hannah Case
Drew Chambers
Jay Chiu
Holly Christian
Madison Clark
Emily Coe

Teaira Collins
Shania Conley
Alisea Cook
Parker Cook
Samone Culp
Darius Daniels
Daphne Davis

Wriston Davis
Zachary Demello
Brianna Denne
Denise Devatt
Jasmine Dies
Samantha Dillingham
Megan Dills

Danielle Dion
Brittany Dixon
Rebekah Doar
Lauren Dodson
Justin Downs
Kyle Dozzi
Summer Drewnoski

Jen Eban
Kenzie Edwards
Tamara Edwards
Bothina Elkazzaz
Stefan Emsheimer
Tyler Ennis
Leyano Essack

Tristen Faucette
Angela Feeney
Madison Fender
Tyler Ferguson
Lucia Fernandez
Hunter Flynn
Noah Ford

Coral Foster
Kenan Foxx
Rachel Frampton
Genesis Franklin
Jhaniha Frazier
Aaron Freitag
Devin Fuller

Madelyn Furr
Bryce Gainer
Lenorris Gaines
Annalee Garner
Leah Garrett
Clarence Garvin
Colby Gibbs

Avery Gifford
Madison Gilliland
Shelby Gilmer
Ansley Gilreath
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Aniya Glenn
Vitor Goncalves

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Rogerick Goss
Rickia Grady
Kirby Graham
Jared Green
Grant Greenhill
Alexander Gregory

Tony Gunter
Alexander Guzman
Samuel Guzman
Mazie Haines
Leah Hairfield
Nathan Hake
Roger Hall

Troy Hall
William Hamm
Jamie Hancock
Henry Hankins
Shannon Hannan
Terry Harrell
Hannah Harris

Evan Harrison
Preston Harrison
Samantha Harwood
Adam Hawkins
Hope Hayes
Abigail Hays
Cavin Heaton

Brandon Helms
Curtis Helms
Keynon Hemphill
Cameron Hicks
Aubree Hill
Hannah Hill
Michael Hill

Tremain Hill
Joshua Hoglund
Debrasha Holder
Kiarah Holman
Orion Holmberg
Kelsea Holmes-Ross
Austin Horne

Brianna Horrell
Araya Houghton
Tyler Howell
Alana Humphries
Lacee Hunsucker
Kyrie Jackson
Matthew Jackson





Tamia Jackson
Vernon Jackson
Travis James
Alexis Jeffries
Germell Jenkins
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Gilbert Johnson
Julia Johnson
Justice Johnson
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Ke Asia Jones
Quan'ye Jordan
Irene Katos

Kyler Kee
Jaime Kelly
Shelby Kelly
Harrison Keslar
Lilly Killian
Daniel Knight
Sarah Knight

Montana Koza
Brian Kurtz
Annabreea Lawson
Brittany Leckrone
Adeline Lemaster
Jose Leon Perez
Morgan Leverett

Megan Lewandowski
Riley Lipman
Dylan Livingston
Pierre Lockwood
Preston Lockwood
Courtney Looney
Jackson Lown

Megan Maddox
Alexia Malone
Terrance Malone
Christopher Mangum
Kayla Marcolongo
Austin Marler
Kordisha Mayers

Hannah Maze
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Tristan McCarty
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Jordan McCray
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Lindsey McIntosh
Rachael McKinney
Denzel McKnight
Larry Medley
Darontae Mitchell
Oscar Mitchell

Shianna Mitchell
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John Saunders
Luca Schunk
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Dana Scott
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William Shipman
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Maurice Smith
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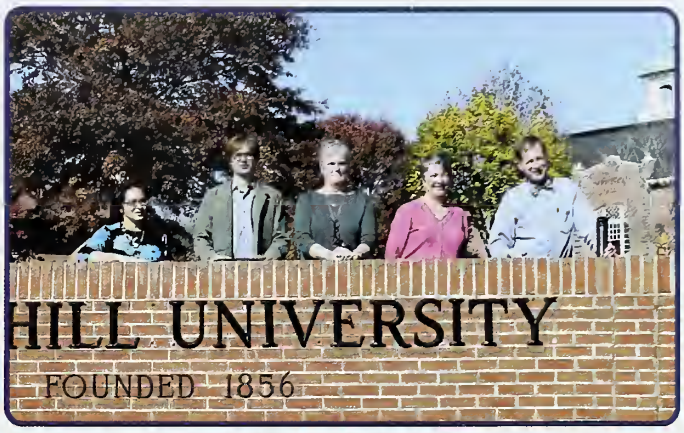
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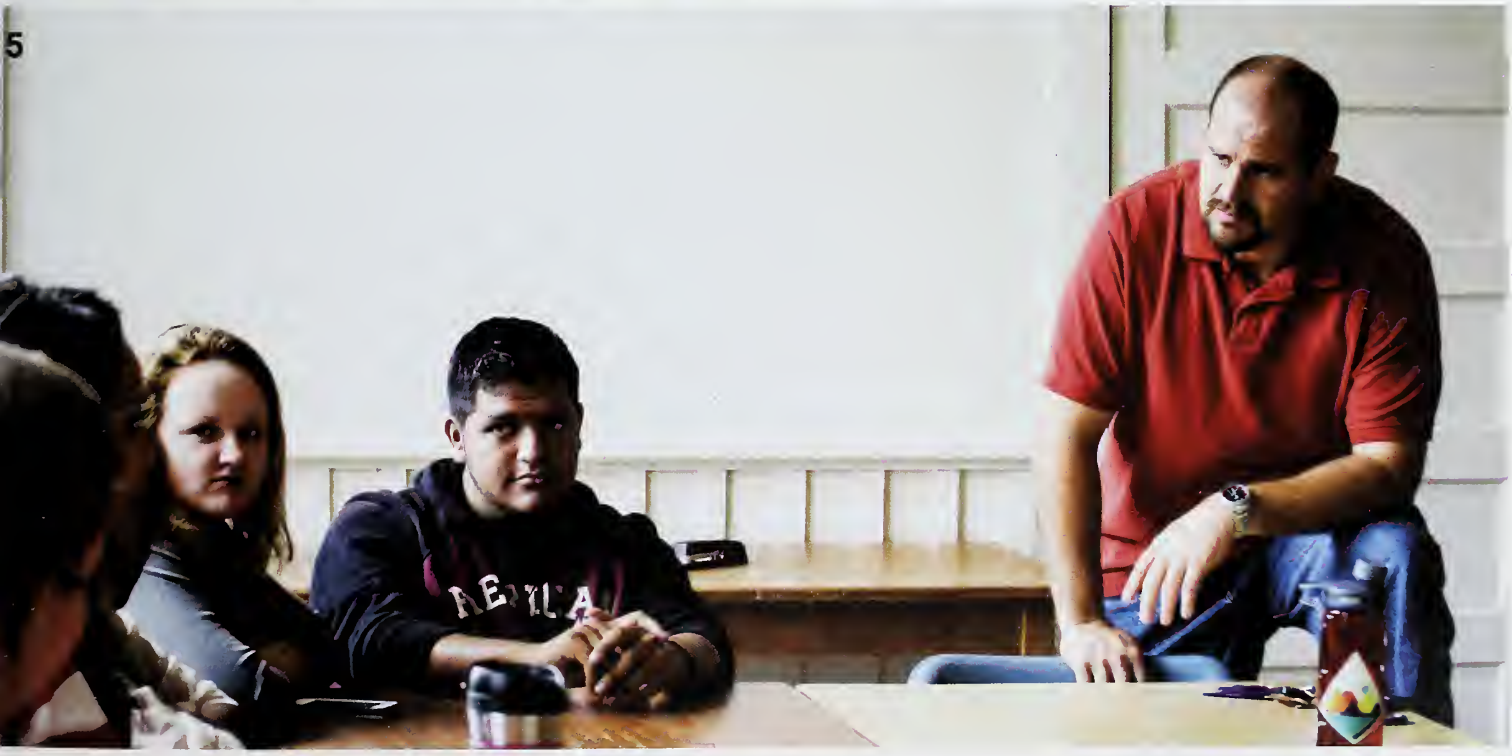


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Photo contest submissions #1-5 all by Jessica Woodburn



On The Hill



FOOTBALL







COOL THOUGHT

We banded together and got after it, I'm really proud of our unity and drive this year. We're all looking forward to next year. Go Lions!
-Junior, Tyler Parrish

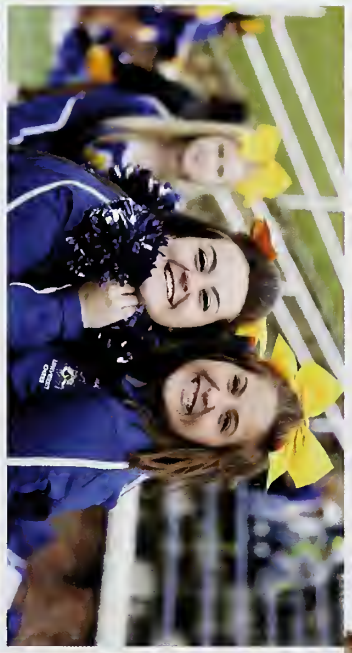
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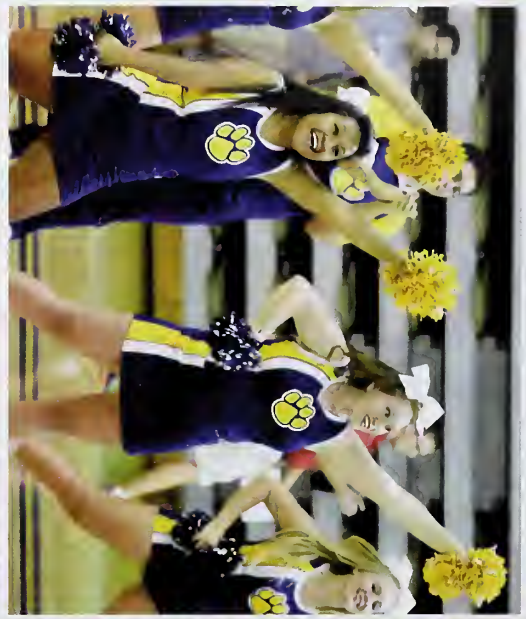
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Newberry W	17-14
Catawba L	29-10
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Cheerleading

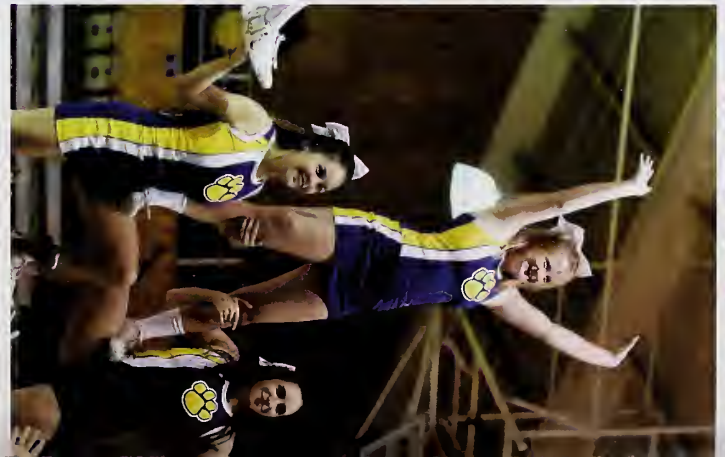












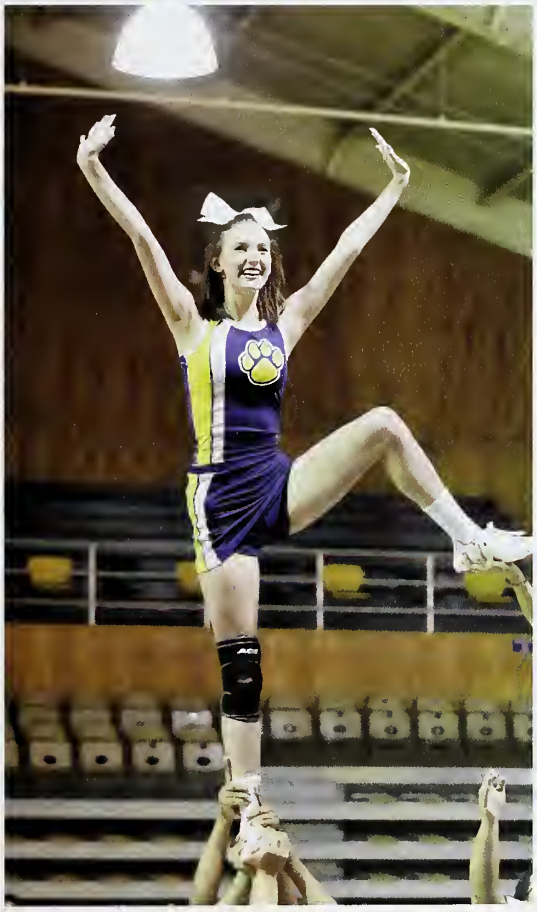










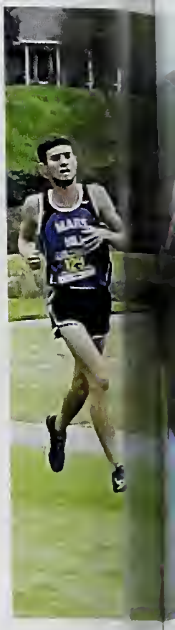


Senior Emily Lasasso
(Captain)
KIND WORDS :
Cheerleading has helped me through not only my last year of college but throughout all four years. Its allowed me to meet people from a multitude of different backgrounds and has shown me how to unify ourselves to achieve common goals to be a successful team. It has also taught me how to be a leader and how to earn respect from my peers and administration. Most importantly, it has allowed me to gain this love for MHU and I will take what I've learned with me forever.

GO FIGHT WIN!

X-COUNTRY


MARS HILL



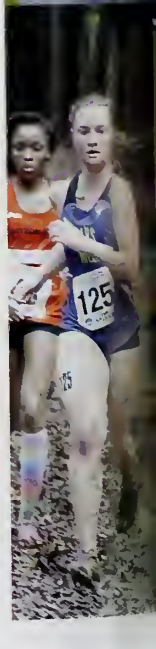

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COOL THOUGHTS

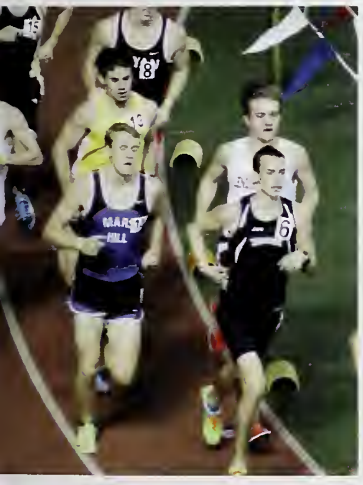
- Mars Hill's **Nathan Jones** was voted the South Atlantic Conference Men's Cross Country Scholar-Athlete of the Year
- At nationals, Mars Hill finishes in 25th place on the team leaderboard, highest among Southeast Region teams
- **Alex Griggs** has been named the USTFCCCA Southeast Region Athlete of the Year for Men's Cross Country. He placed 25th and was named an All-American

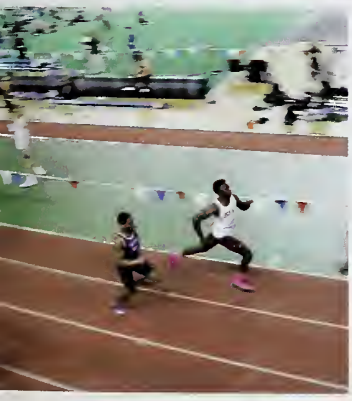
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3. 24:55:00 Alex Griggs- Charlotte, NC
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5. 25:08:00 Justin Gragg- Charlotte
6. 25:09:00 Alex Griggs- Charlotte, NC
7. 25:12:00 Daniel Amick- East Carolina Univ.
8. 25:12:00 Dustin Shinholser- East Carolina Univ.
9. 25:20:00 Daniel Amick- SAS Park, Raleigh, NC
10. 25:21 Daniel Amick

TRACK M&W







Think your sport has it rough? Try starting your season in August and continuing it until May. That's exactly how it is for some track and field team members. Distance runners begin as cross country in fall, indoor track in the winter, transitioning to outdoor track in the spring. If you factor in that Mars Hill does not have a home track, you will see how dedicated and motivated these athletes are.

The indoor season started out with many personal records set as well as MHU records. Brandon Beard broke a 10 year old record in the 800 meter run at the Mountaineer Open Indoor Meet. Cesar Reyes, Chase Shermer, Cameron Lackey and Nathan Jones broke an 11-year old record by eight seconds to place second in the 4X800 meter relay at the JDL Collegiate Kickoff. Cesar Reyes also broke the 500 meter record by one second at the same meet. The school record in the pole vault was crushed by two inches with Jordan Bair jumping 3.05 meters. Aiyana Chin raised the bar on the school record in the weight throw with a throw of 40 feet six inches. Hopefully as indoor continues to the outdoor season, many more records will fall.

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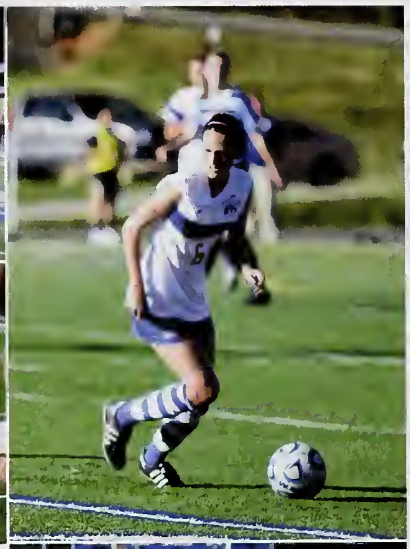
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Wingate
Terriers Relay
Appalachian State University
SAC Championships
Duke Univeristy
Liberty Univeristy
GVSU Last Chance Meet
NCAA National Championships

SOCCER M&W



















SCORE

King	L, 4-2
Shorter	L, 3-2
Converse	L, 5-2
Lees-McRae	L, 1-0
Wingate	L, 4-0
Catawba	L, 3-2
Carson-Newman	L, 6-1
Brevard	W, 2-0
Southern Wesleyan	W, 3-1
Coker	L, 4-0
Lenoir-Rhyne	L, 9-0
Queens	L, 4-1
Erskine	W, 1-0
Tusculum	L, 3-0
Lincoln Memorial	W, 1-0
Newberry	L, 3-0
Emmanuel	T, 1-1
Anderson	L, 2-1

















COOL THOUGHT

The men's soccer team has 11 international players coming to Mars Hill from 6 different countries and 15 American players with some from as far away as California. Four different continents are represented on the team.

Soccer is international!



SCORE

Limestone	L, 2-1
Young Harris	W, 1-0
Wingate	L, 2-1
Catawba	W, 2-1
Carson-Newman	L, 4-3
Brevard	T, 0-0
Coker	L, 2-1
Lenoir-Rhyne	L, 3-0
Queens	L, 1-0
Lees-McRae	L, 2-1
Tusculum	L, 5-1
Lincoln Memorial	W, 1-0
Newberry	W, 1-0
Anderson	L, 1-0

VOLLEYBALL







COOL THOUGHT

The volleyball team has given me an opportunity to make lifelong friends. Volleyball has taught me that trusting my teammates it important. Volleyball brings the school together since we are all representing the same university.
- Rebecca Butler



SCORE

Lees-McRae	W, 3-2
Francis Marion	L, 3-1
Belmont Abbey	L, 3-1
UNC Pembroke	W, 3-1
Coker	W, 3-2
Wingate	L, 3-1
Newberry	L, 3-2
Anderson	W, 3-2
Tusculum	L, 3-1
Queens	L, 3-0
Catawba	L, 3-0
Brevard	L, 3-1
Lincoln Memorial	L, 3-0
S.C. Aiken	L, 3-0
Augusta University	L, 3-1
Lander	L, 3-0
Lenoir-Rhyne	L, 3-1
Coker	W, 3-0
Wingate	L, 3-0
Carson-Newman	L, 3-0
Anderson	W, 3-1
Tusculum	L, 3-1
Queens (N.C.)	L, 3-1
Catawba	L, 3-0
Lenoir-Rhyne	L, 3-0
Brevard	W, 3-1
Newberry	L, 3-0
Lincoln Memorial	L, 3-0
Carson-Newman	W, 3-2

BASKETBALL





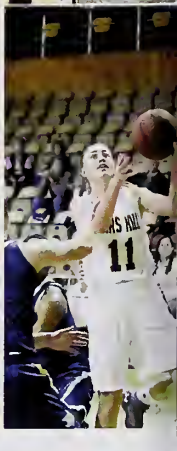












SCORE

King	L, 72-50
Lees-McRae	W, 73-58
Livingstone	L, 65-60
Limestone	L, 62-55
Anderson	L, 53-45
Young Harris	L, 61-60
Wingate	L, 106-103
Catawba	W, 82-67
Newberry	L, 76-58
Queens	W, 71-50
S.C. Upstate	L, 81-65
Carson-Newman	L, 87-68
Lincoln Memorial	
Coker	
Tusculum	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Brevard	
Wingate	
Anderson	
Catawba	
Carson-Newman	
Newberry	
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Lincoln Memorial	
Coker	
Tusculum	
Lenoir-Rhyne	











COOL THOUGHT

The basketball season runs for the most part of 4 months and spans 2 semesters. These athletes sacrifice much of their time at home with family and friends during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays for practice and games on the empty campus. They willingly do it for the sport they love.

For the love of the game!

SCORE

Presbyterian	L, 90-84
Belmont Abbey	L, 81-77
Limestone	L, 86-82
UNC Asheville	L, 84-51
Crown College	W, 115-54
Pfeiffer	W, 90-76
Anderson	L, 81-57
Warren Wilson	W, 78-62
Wingate	L, 77-65
Piedmont International	W, 126-89
Catawba	W, 71-70
Newberry	L, 99-93
Queens	L, 87-75
Western Carolina	L, 82-62
Carson-Newman	L, 86-75
Lincoln Memorial	
Coker	
Tusculum	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Brevard	
Wingate	
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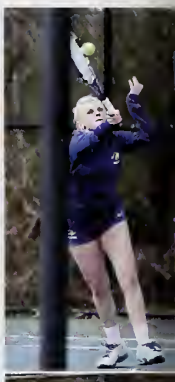
TENNIS



















SCORE

Emmanuel	W, 6-3
Milligan	L, 5-4
Newberry	L, 5-2
North Greenville	W, 5-4
Tusculum	L, 9-0
Converse	W, 7-2
Newberry	L, 7-2
Coker	
Anderson	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Wingate	
Lincoln Memorial	
Limestone	
Brevard	
Queens	
Tusculum	
Carson-Newman	
Catawba	

















Cool Thought

Tennis is an unique sport. Not only is it a team sport but an individual one. Participants compete in single and double matches with their wins or losses counting towards the team overall score.

Double Duty

SCORE

Emmanuel	W, 7-2
Milligan	W, 6-3
Newberry	L, 7-1
North Greenville	L, 5-4
Tusculum	L, 8-1
Southern Wesleyan	W, 5-4
Newberry	L, 9-0
Coker	
UNC Asheville	
Anderson	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Wingate	
Lincoln Memorial	
Limestone	
Brevard	
Queens	
Tusculum	
Carson-Newman	
Catawba	

BASEBALL

The Lions baseball team got off to a great start, going 6-1 through their first two series. The team is focused on a stronger finish than the 9th place conference prediction. Senior Rayshelon Carolina set a high standard for the rest of the season by being named player of the week during week 2. The Lions should have a strong showing of senior leadership to help them reach their full potential.

























SCORE

Pfeiffer	W, 4-3
Pfeiffer	L, 7-5
Pfeiffer	W, 4-0
Kutztown	W, 3-0
Kutztown	W, 6-3
Kutztown	W, 11-3
Kutztown	W, 2-1
Winston-Salem State	
Winston-Salem State	
Winston-Salem State	
Southern Wesleyan	
Brevard	
Brevard	
Brevard	
North Greenville	
Wingate	
Wingate	
Wingate	
King	
Saginaw Valley	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Southern Wesleyan	
Carson-Newman	
Carson-Newman	
Carson-Newman	
Young Harris	
Young Harris	
Anderson	
Anderson	
Anderson	
King	
Catawba	
Catawba	
Catawba	
Lincoln Memorial	
Lincoln Memorial	
Lincoln Memorial	
Coker	
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Coker	
North Greenville	
Tusculum	
Tusculum	
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SOFTBALL









(Special thanks to Greg Romine for photos)

SCORE

Lynn	W, 9-3
Florida Tech	L, 8-0
Flagler	L, 4-2
Palm Beach Atl.	W, 5-4
Milligan	L, 5-3
Milligan	W, 6-1
S.C. Aiken	L, 4-3
S.C. Aiken	L, 7-6
Francis Marion	
Francis Marion	
St. Andrews	
St. Andrews	
Montreat	
Montreat	
Young Harris	
Young Harris	
North Greenville	
North Greenville	
Erskine	
Erskine	
King	
King	
Southern Wesleyan	
Southern Wesleyan	
Newberry	
Newberry	
Carson-Newman	
Carson-Newman	
Wingate	
Wingate	
Anderson	
Anderson	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Lenoir-Rhyne	
Tusculum	
Tusculum	
Catawba	
Catawba	
Lees-McRae	
Lees-McRae	
Brevard	
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SWIMMING

















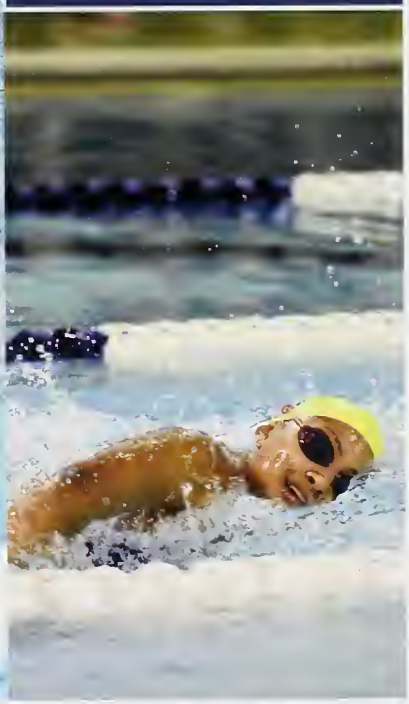




COOL THOUGHT

Swimmers are a tight-knit group. When you spend so much time together it is hard not to become very close. The season is long and you have to love the ones you're with.
" If you're looking for a sport where your team becomes your family. Mars Hill Swimming would be it!"

Megan Bushey

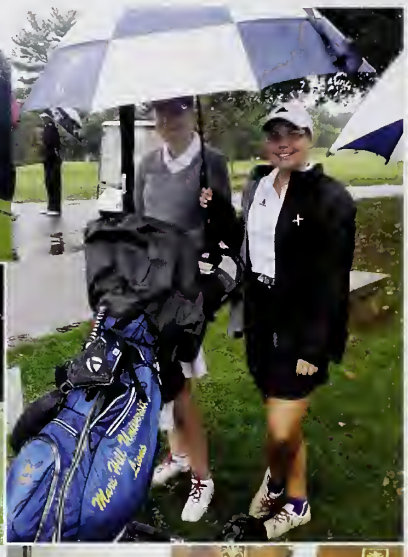


M&W

GOLF

















SCORE

Etowah Intercollegiate	6th
Tusculum Fall Classic	5th
SAC Preview	8th
Converse Fall Invite	3rd
Pfeiffer Invitational	
Coker Women's Invite	
Wingate Intercollegiate	
Challenge	
Cherokee Valley Invitational	
SAC Championship	















SCORE

Anderson Univ. Invitational	5th
Tusculum Fall Invite	t-3rd
State Farm Intercollegiate	11th
Newberry Invitational	
Battle at the Beach	
Ralph Hargett Memorial	
Tennessee River Rumble	
SAC Championship	

LACROSSE







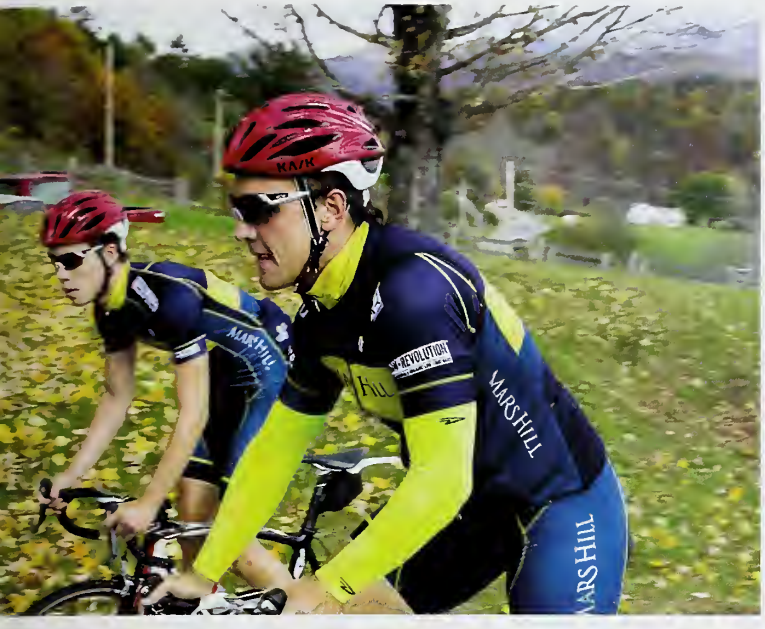
COOL THOUGHT

Former Mars Hill Men's Lacrosse players Anthony Malcom and Jimmy McBride were selected in the National Lacrosse League 2015 draft. Malcom, selected by the Buffalo Bandits, was the 11th overall pick while McBride went to Saskatchewan Rush as the 40th pick.

SCORE

Pfeiffer	00-0
Indianapolis	00-0
Fla. Southern	00-0
Florida Tech	00-0
Wingate	00-0
Queens(N.C)	00-0
Catawba	00-0
Lenoir-Rhyne	00-0
Coker	00-0
Brevard	00-0
Lincoln Mem.	00-0
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Belmont Abbey	00-0
N. Greenville	00-0
Davis & Elkins	00-0

CYCLING







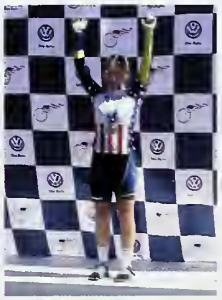
COOL THOUGHT

In addition to being a high level collegiate cycling team, MHU cyclists give to the Mars Hill community by sponsoring a cycling club at Mars Hill Elementary School. Who knows how many future cyclists they will inspire!

Inspiring Others

Schedule

*King @ Bristol, Tenn.
*Mars Hill hosted event
*Warren Wilson @ Swannanoa, N.C.
*SEC Conference Championships
*NCGP @ Hendersonville, N.C.
*MCI UCI @ Kingsport, Tenn.
*USA Cycling National Championships @ Asheville, N.C.



54 *Ultimate Frisbee*

Passive Fist is Mars Hill's fastest growing organization on campus with many new members joining each semester. This fall semester Passive Fist has played against ETSU and Western Carolina bringing home wins each time. In their most recent tournament Passive Fist placed 4th overall with only four points away from first place. Experienced and inexperienced are encouraged to come out this year as Passive Fist goes for regionals for the first time.



















Go Passive Fist!





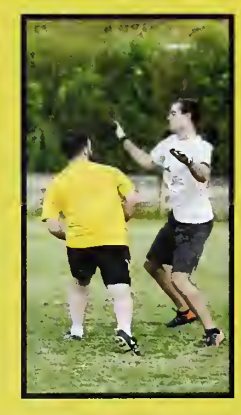


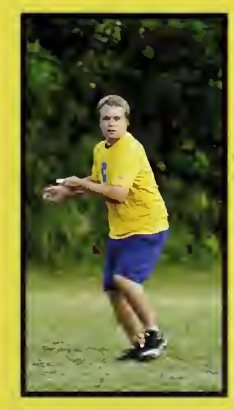
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Taking Care of Business



Student athletic trainers assist the certified staff in providing care to ensure the wellness of the student athletes at Mars Hill University. Class lectures only make up a small part of the education these students get. Each student is assigned to teams to work with throughout the year. This gives the trainer students a real-life experience in the career field they are pursuing while under the observation of a experienced professional.

Stretch Out



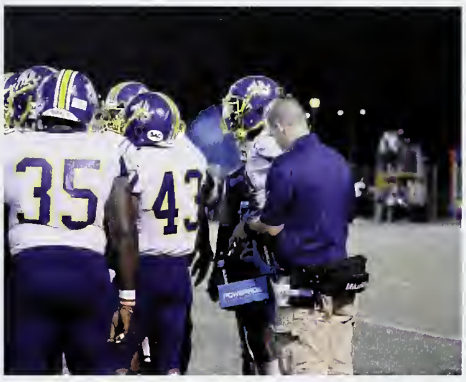




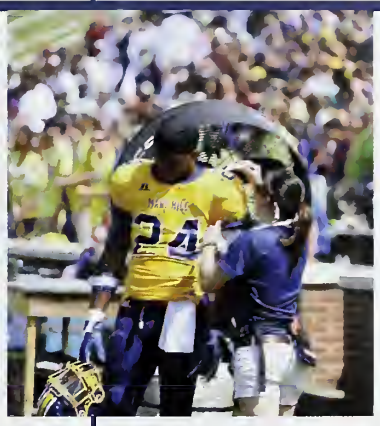
Keeping Athletes Safe

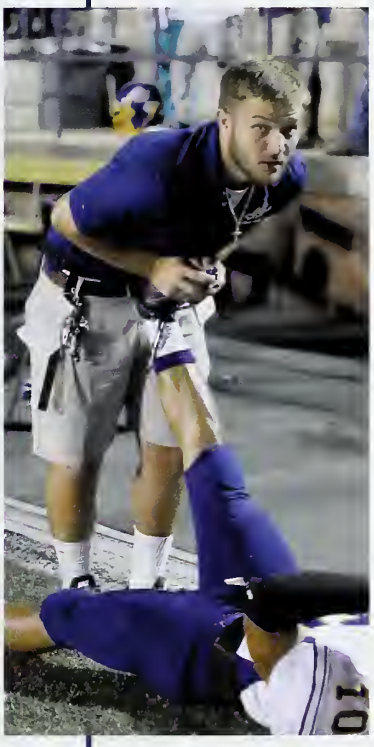












Stretching, hydrating and posing for pictures are just a few of the pregame rituals. The posing is optional but makes great memories.







"Brain power"



"It's all in your mind"



Psychology Club

Center for Community Engagement





The Bonner Scholars Program, funded by the Corella & Bertram F. Bonner Foundation, provides students with financial need and a commitment to service with four-year scholarships. MHU is one of only 27 colleges and universities in the country to participate in the program. Bonners complete 140 hours of combined service, training, meetings and class sessions per semester along with a spring break service trip and sophomore retreat. The faculty/staff vs the students game has become a annual event with money raised going to support alternative spring break trips to Haiti and Charleston.











Bonner Scholars







Learning through Serving









Campus Activity Board









The Campus Activity Board is an organization comprised of students with the primary function to plan and implement activities on campus for the enjoyment of the student body. Popular events they have sponsored include Lions Growl, Bingo, Karaoke night, and Late Night Breakfast. During Late Night Breakfast, students are served by volunteer faculty and staff members while enjoying music, crafts, and the ever popular, DOORPRIZES! Who wouldn't want to win a flat screen tv or a Yeti cooler? Keep on the lookout for more awesome events from your CAB staff!

Dan Morris serves as the Director of the Campus Activities Board and is in his first year in this position.











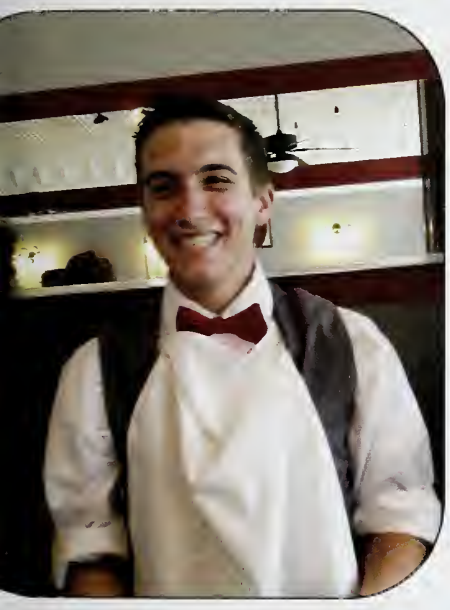




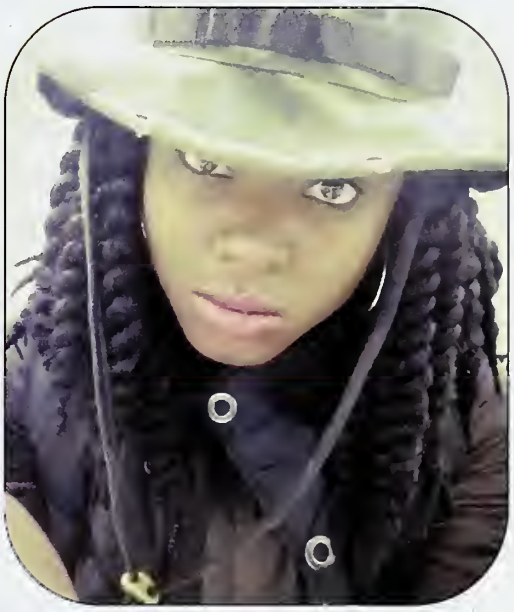


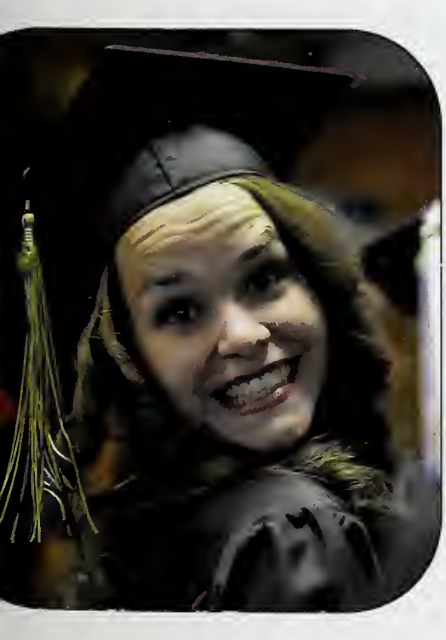


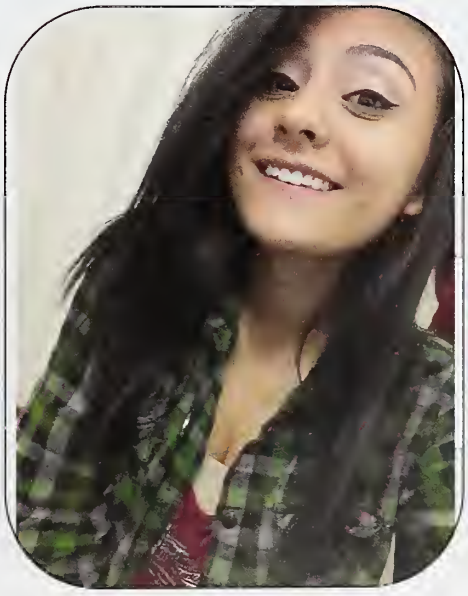
LAUREL YEARBOOK STAFF



Staff members juggle school, sports and other activities while producing a yearbook to preserve the year's memories. This year's staff includes: Sierra Keaton, Camisha Coffey, RC Leon, Shakira Allen, Jordan Talley, Liz Britt, Anna Dillon, and Isaac Roots.

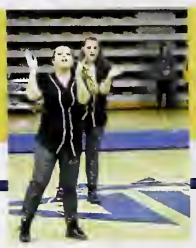
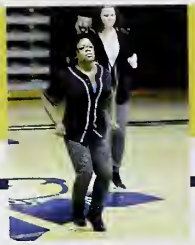
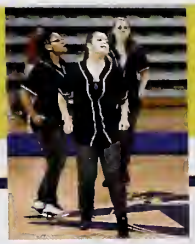
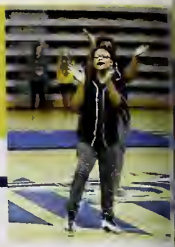




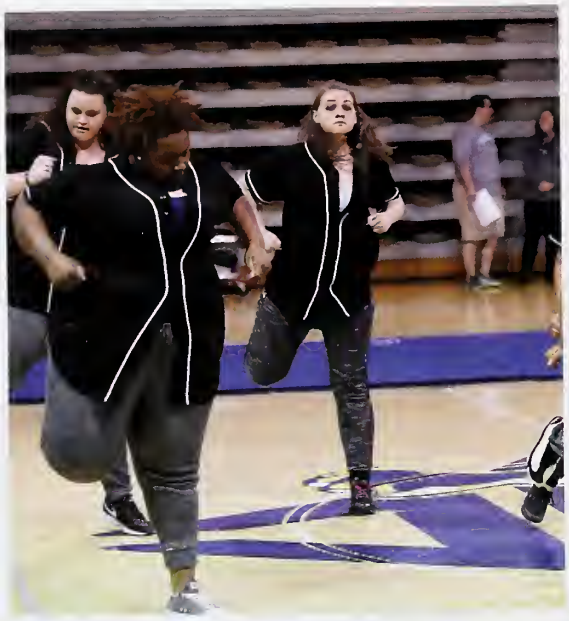




M. Hill Steppers

Stepping is a form of percussion dancing in which the dancer's entire body is used as an instrument to produce complex rhythms and sounds through footsteps, hand claps and spoken words. Often they resemble military formations. Synchronicity is important to create the "music". Rooted in African and Caribbean dance, it is a tradition of African American fraternities and sororities since the mid 1900's. M. Hill Steppers hold open auditions and welcome those who want to help keep this tradition alive.



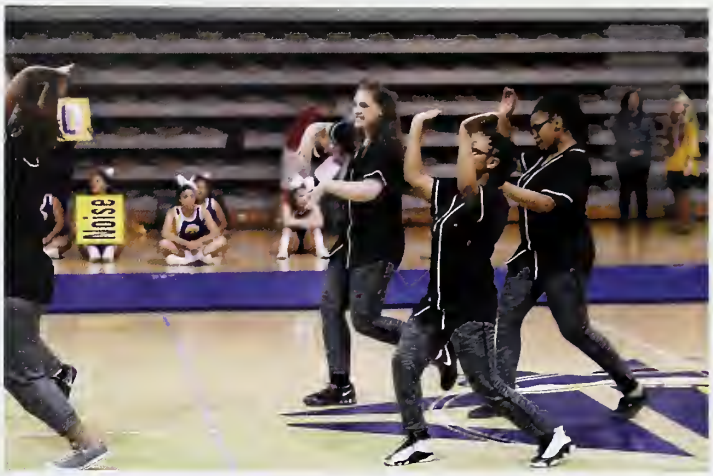






Stepping Out!









Stepping MHU

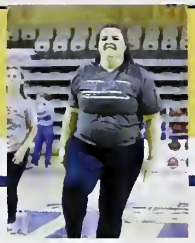
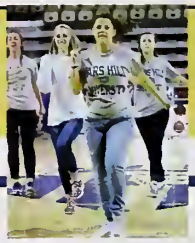








Bailey Mountain Cloggers



The Bailey Mountain Cloggers have earned a reputation for their showstopping performances. Many hours of practice are required to maintain the level of perfection they have achieved. These hardworking men and women continue to represent MHU in a very positive way.









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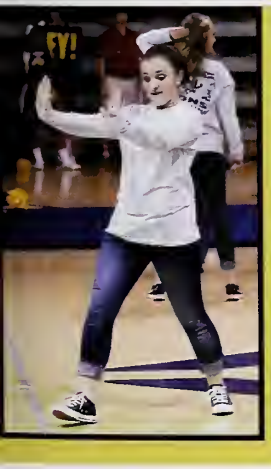








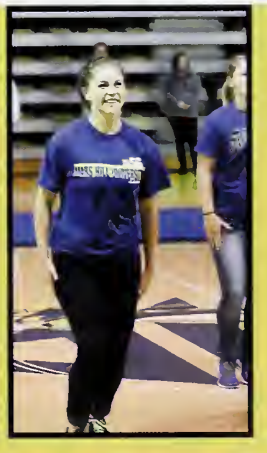
BMC performing at this year's Lions Growl.















The MHU Theatre Arts Department provides a nurturing environment for students enabling them to grow in all theatrical disciplines. The spring semester featured a performance of *Agnes of God by John Pielmeier*. Directed by Jessica West, the performance featured some of MHU's finest actors and actresses. Photos were taken from dress rehearsal. Other performances for the year included *Honk!* and *Eurydice*.











Lights, Camera, Action!







Raising the Curtain MHU









70 Band

When the band takes the field at a home football game, people in the stands don't realize the amount of work and hours of practice that is put in to make that halftime show a reality. There is music and choreography to learn, equipment to prepare, and uniforms/costumes to be fitted. Band members are dedicated to putting on the best show they possibly can. They can be counted on for playing the fight song, alma mater and many other tunes guaranteed to increase the spirit at home football games and pep rallies.



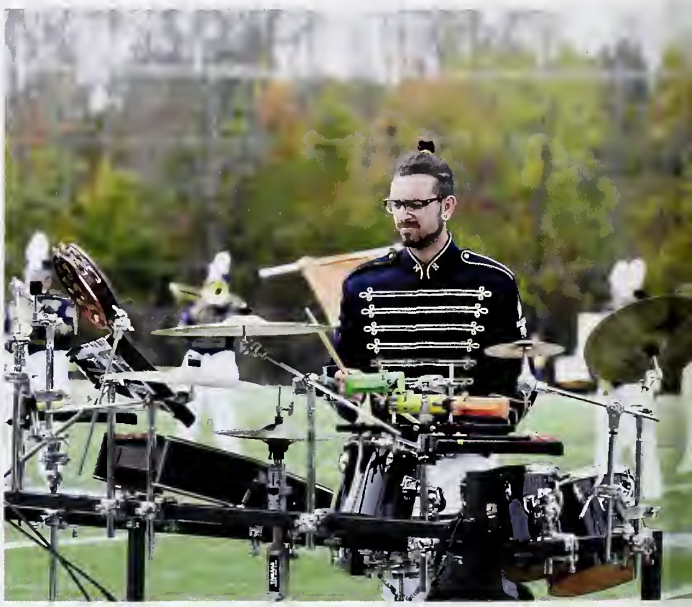














Marching Band







Band. MHU

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TUNE!











Sophomore
Anna Britt and Surmon Neal



Freshmen
Kathryn Boland, Matthew Walker and Katharine Boggs



Seniors
Savannah Maynor and Levi Patterson



Royalty Past and Present:
Savannah Maynor and Kate Wrig

King and Queen of the Hill

A yearly celebration of Mars H[illegible]'s most beloved students



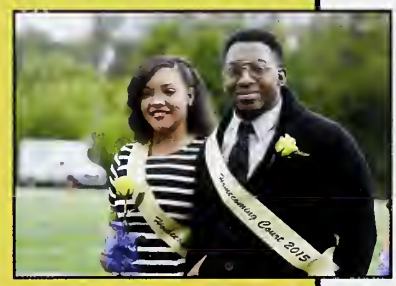
And the winners are: Levi Patterson and Savannah Maynor were voted the 2015 Homecoming King and Queen. The otherwise rainy day cleared up temporarily to allow for an umbrella-free crowning. We look forward to seeing them next year to carry on the tradition.

Faculty/Staff Representatives: The students elected Craig Goforth and Ann Peiffer as the Faculty/Staff King and Queen this year. Congratulations!

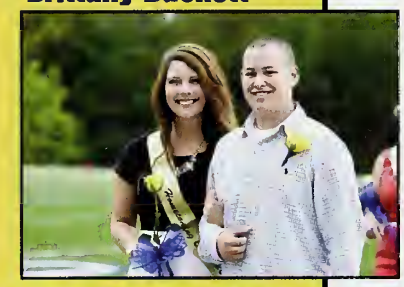


Seniors

Tremaine Goddard and Patricia Mathes



Marquez Williams* and Brittany Duckett



Cesar Reyes and Carrie Ann Plemmons



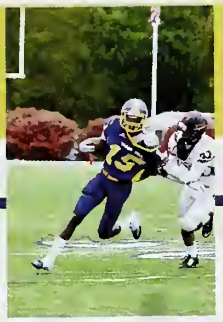
Juniors:

Joo Shin Kim and Megan Pack



*Marquez Williams not pictured






Homecoming Game

Raining on our parade

MHU 14 - NGU 38







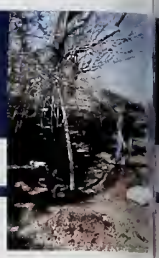












Delta Kappa Theta

Delta Kappa Theta is the oldest Fraternity on the MHU campus. Originally the Delta Theta chapter of Pi Kappa Phi, est.1973. The fraternity split from the national organization in 1979 and became the local fraternity Delta Kappa Theta.

"We are a proud fraternity dedicated to community service and academic excellence; and we are held together by the eternal bond of brotherhood. We uphold community standards and have the most diverse and involved brotherhood I've ever encountered; we currently have alumni brothers working here at MHU as Faculty and Staff."

~Arsidez Leon DT351



The Brothers of DKT have maintained the Joe Anderson Memorial site for decades and most recently the brothers planted this tree dedicated to Oralene Simmons.











Gamma Chi Epsilon

"Gamma Chi Epsilon is a social and service based sorority that was founded in 1986. Our colors are purple and green and our mascot is the peacock.We work closely with the Special Olympics of Madison County. This year we have participated in the Polar Plunge as well as hosted a golf tournament to raise funds for the Special Olympics."








NUPES

Kappa Alpha Psi

The Mu Tau Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., was chartered on the campus of Mars Hill College in November of 1986 and re-activated at Mars Hill University in March 2014. The fraternity is an organization that challenges and equips undergraduate students to pursue life after college.



















50 Years

of Fabulous!









Sigma Alpha Chi was founded in 1965. They are proud to be the oldest sorority on campus and support breast cancer awareness as their philanthropical cause. Sigma hosts two big events on campus, "The Pink Palooza" and "Touchdown for the Cure". Their colors are pink and blue. Sigma is represented by their mascot, a teddy bear, and follow the motto "Living for each other". The sweetheart pink rose is the chosen flower to signify the Sigma girls and what they stand for.









Delta Zeta

The women of Delta Zeta sorority share a common purpose; to make life fuller, more meaningful, more rewarding. Our promise to our Sorority and our commitment to enrich the world are for a lifetime. Within Delta Zeta, we call it enriching. To our members, it is the promise of friendship, personal development, and opportunity. To the campus community and the world, we are valued citizens deeply committed to making a difference where we live.

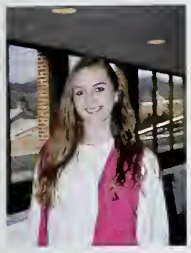







IGC

The Inter Greek Council recognizes the 4 Greek organizations, Delta Zeta National Sorority, Gamma Chi Epsilon Sorority, Sigma Alpha Chi Sorority, and Delta Kappa Theta Fraternity. Members from each Greek organization make up the IGC executive board. The executive board meets once weekly along with a representative from each organization to plan and organize the mass social events, mass service projects, and recruitments for each organization.



VP of Standards:
Anna Hamilton



President:
Emily LaSasso



Parliamentarian:
Samantha Hall



Events Coordinator:
Kayla Kirtner



Treasurer:
Caitlin Drummond



Secretary:
Maryanne Kenna



Publicity:
Katie Puckett



Chaplain:
Eugene Jones



Executive Board



Representatives, l-r: Aaron Hall, Delta Kappa Theta; Kaitlin White, Sigma Alpha Chi; Molly Rauchwarg, Gamma Chi Epsilon; and Morgan Leverett, Delta Zeta













Amanda Anderson
Brittany Chandler
Blake Covington
Megan Currie
Kiane Douglas
Matt Foster
Jasha Geerdink
Gil Gilreath
Maslyn Greene
Jeffrey Grier
Luz Heilman
Jade Henke
Natalie Hilbig
Elinor Howard
Brook Hudson
Tre Hunt
Taylor Lail
Savannah Maynor
Meagan McNeely

Abbey Moose
William Nanney
Jordan Phillips
Ansley Ricker
Khloe' Rowe
Heather Styles
Jordan Talley
Andrew Vanderschaaf
Megan Warren
Sami Wyatt



First Year Mentors





You find them at orientation, chec
in, and almost every other ne
student event, First Year Mentor
Their job is to help the transition t
higher education a smooth one. Th
demands on their time is high bu
their commitment to their studen
is equal to those demands. The
goal is to make your first year a
MHU a successful on



Ambassadors

Lcy Dill
Jrdan Edwards
Ai Fridley
Fichel Fuqua
Jffrey Grier
Fuitlyn Hedrick
Emily LaSasso
Funnah Mock
Sephen Pate
Fandon Pineiro
Jssie Reynolds
Filoe' Rowe
Indsey Sears
Fisten (K.J)Thompson
Andrew Vanderschaff
Negan Warren
Jssica Woodburn
Smantha (Sammi)Wyatt
Andrew Blanton
Samantha Burns
Rebecca Butler
Hailey Davis
Jen Eban
Anthony Farmer
Gabrielle Francis
KeAsia Jones
Jaime Kelly
Joo Shin Kim
Brittany Leckrone
Tyler Martin
Lindsey McIntosh
Madeleine Muni
Isaac Roots
Hannah Stapleton
Amber Strange
Selin Talay

MHU Ambassadors serve the university community by being the smiling face that prospective students first see. Ambassadors are knowledgeable in the history and traditions that make MHU the wonderful place it is and share that knowledge with those visiting our lovely campus.





Res Life

Residential Life Staff

Professional Staff- Mindy Bliss, DeAndre Howard.

Graduate Students- Kevin Trudell, Katie Johnson, Jakobi Scroggins.

Student Staff- Mitchell Blackmon, Savannah Hayes, Patricia Mathes, Kiley Prevatte, Te'Osha Miller, Daniel Edwards, Za'QKyria Miller, Miranda Southard, Malik Sims, Alan Cannon, Jonathan Spence, Matthew Dill, Daniel Lerner, Kyree Connor, Michael Johnson, Titus Mills, Autumn Miller, Yuliana Arriola, Tiara Frazier, Maya Williamson, Cameron McDaniel, Arisdez "RC" Leon, Stephen Blount, Abbey Nichols, Brandon Pineiro, Shane Hawkins, Darrien Dozier, Garrett Farrimond, Jazmin Goodson, Derek Klapchar, Malik Anderson, Alex Hoadley, Drew Garber, David Campbell IV, Conner Brown, Nathan Carver, Eugene Jones, Amber Strange, Mary Jo Fabon, Karen Romero, and Alauna Reckley.














Living the res life







Student Government Association



SGA Executive Board:
L-R: Savannah Maynor, Pres.; Meagan McNeely, VP; Stephen Blount, Sec.; Daniel Edwards, Treasurer; Jessie Scott (not pictured), Chaplain; Brandon Rice, Parliamentarian.

The Student Government Association (SGA) of Mars Hill University is a organization of student leaders elected by their peers to represent the interests of the student body, not just institutionally, but also in the surrounding community. These student leaders serve as liaisons between students and faculty and administration by voicing any questions or concerns. SGA supports the clubs and organizations on the Mars Hill campus and encourages active involvement.

Senior Class
President:
Patricia Mathes
Vice President:
Leah Behar
Secretary/Treasurer:
Shirley Moredock

Junior Class
President:
Joo Shin Kim
Vice President:
Andrew Sutton
Secretary/Treasurer:
Gabrielle Francis

Sophomore Class
President:
Becca Butler
Vice-President:
Elinor Howard
Secretary/Treasurer:
Fallon Hyder

Freshman Clas
President:
Jalen Witherspoon
Vice President:
Rae Whitely
Secretary/Treasurer
Kiarah Holman

Hill-Raisers



The Hill-Raisers are dedicated to providing support to the athletic teams at Mars Hill University. They can be found at most events sporting face paints, blue and gold clothing and banging on cowbells.

"Making the tough decisions"



Student Conduct Board



Senior Board Members:
L-R: Daniel Edwards, Jessica Woodburn, Jonathan Scalf, Savannah Maynor, and Patricia Mathes



Sophomore Board Members:
L-R: Jordan Talley, Kiane Douglas, and Brandon Rice
Student Conduct Coordinator:
DeAndre Howard (not pictured)


Finn Clay, Junior


Daniel Godfrey, Senior

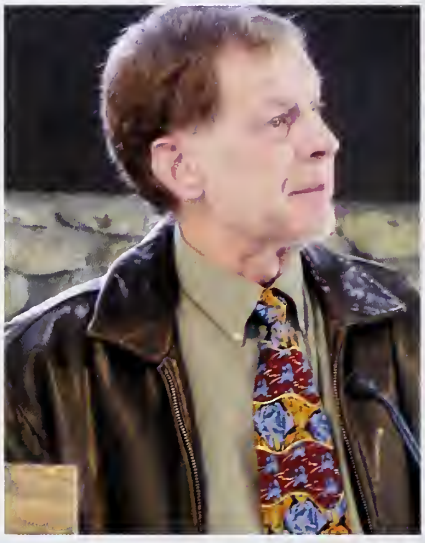

Brook Hudson, Senior

Crossroads

Faith by reason

Campus Ministry carries out its mission by the student ministries, but by also organizing Crossroads programs. The program is designed to examine that place where faith meets reason. Great speakers such as Fr. Michael Lapsley, Rev. Keith Lipsey, and Christian Piatt have come to Crossroads addressing forgiveness, faith and their experiences and outlook on situations in the world. There are multiple forms of worship at Crossroads involving hymns, choir, musical performance and, much more mainly done by the student body. Through all the speakers the main-focus of Crossroads is to examine one's personal faith and how it interacts with the world around us.







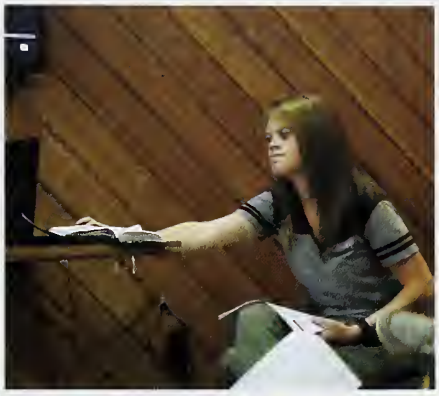


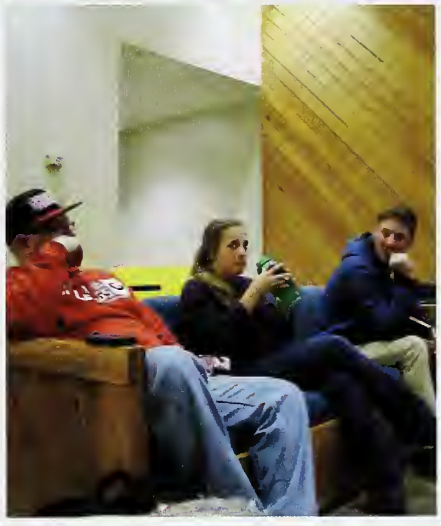
CROSSROADS: Rev. Andrew Hoots speaks at Crossroads about the taking in our brothers and sisters of the world and being generous to others.



CROSSROADS: Four Mars Hill students read bible verses before introuducing the main speakers. (From Left to Right: Brook Hudson, Megan Currie, Finn Clay and, Daniel Godfrey)







Christian Ministries

Reaching out to the campus

CSM, Blueprint, and FCA are all a part of the Christian ministries. Each ministry has their own unique activity. FCA focuses on more group Bible and interpersonal discussion while Blueprint has a worship band as well as a different speaker every week to present a sermon. No matter what they do the ministries on campus focuses on creating a sound and loving community of believers who welcome Christians and non-Christians to their organizations and Mars Hill University.



BLUEPRINT: Worship is an important part of Blueprint. The Blueprint band plays powerfully and when you're there you get embraced and inspired by the music they play. The music at Blueprint is a major attraction and you can feel the presence of God in the room in every session.



CSM: After each Bible study members hang out together and eat snacks provided by CSM.



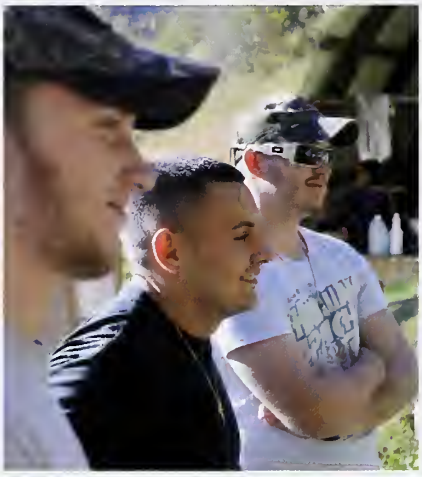


Marksmanship

You'll shoot your eye out!

Fun, Fellowship and Firearms! What could be better? Marksmanship Club teaches proper gun usage and safety while have a good time. During the fall semester, the society hosted a skeet shoot for MHU students.










Some College Dems striking a pose!

Political Clubs

College Democrats & College Republicans



Arsidez R. Leon
resident of College
Democrats
(above)

Levi Patterson
President of College
Republicans
(below)





(above) Members of MHCD after a voter registration event; providing more information.

(left) Members of MHCD and CR after the death penalty debate.



We are fortunate here on the Mars Hill University Campus to have both the College Democrats and the College Republicans. Through the work of Dr. Heather Hawn, and the club presidents and members we have brought these national organizations to campus in the last year. We have held debates together on the topics of the Death Penalty and 2nd Amendment. Currently, the organization presidents, Dr. Heather Hawn, and the MHU President's office are working together to plan the Spring 2016 Presidential Lecture series - "How can civility in politics be recreated?" The lecture series features Sen. Tom Apodaca, N.C. Senate, District 48, Republican; Sen. Terry Van Duyn, N.C. Senate, District 49, Democratic Whip. The organizations also registered numerous students to vote this year.



Members of MHCD and CR after the Mock Presidential Candidate debate.



TJ Garrison (CR) and Arsidez Leon (MHCD) presenting their senior sem topics.



Members of CR and other students after a discussion on Veterans Day.



Jessica Woodburn



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Daphne Davis



Jessica Woodburn









All 3- Jessica Woodburn

Around The Hill

Jose Leon Perez





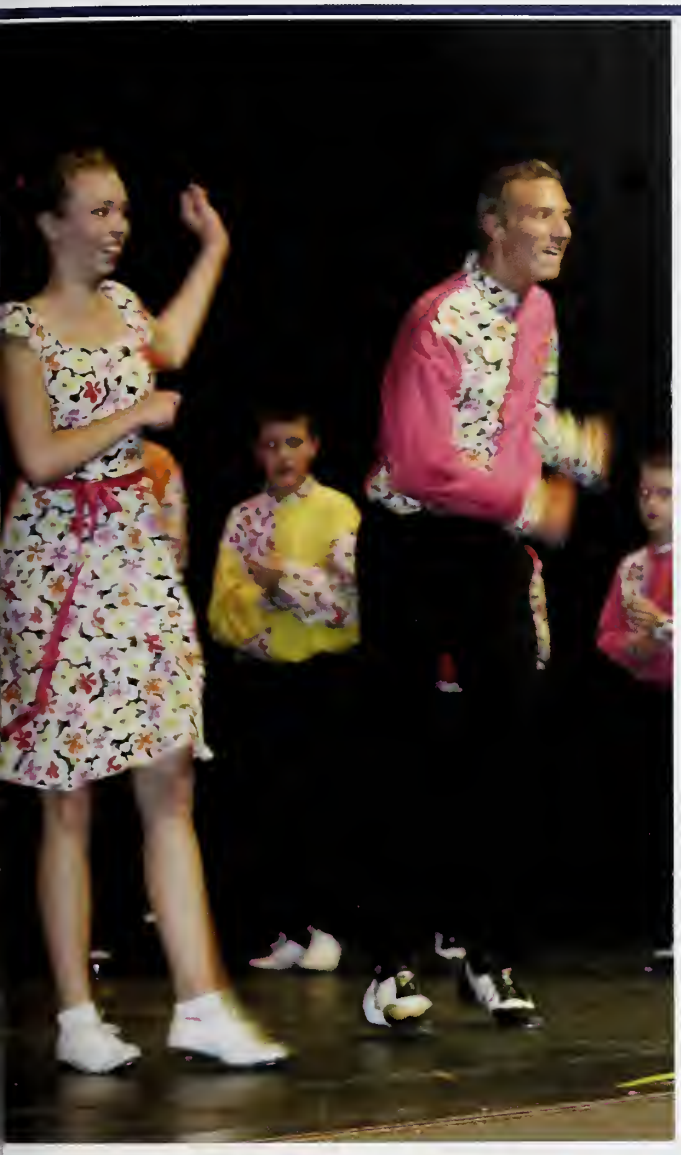


Preserving Our Heritage







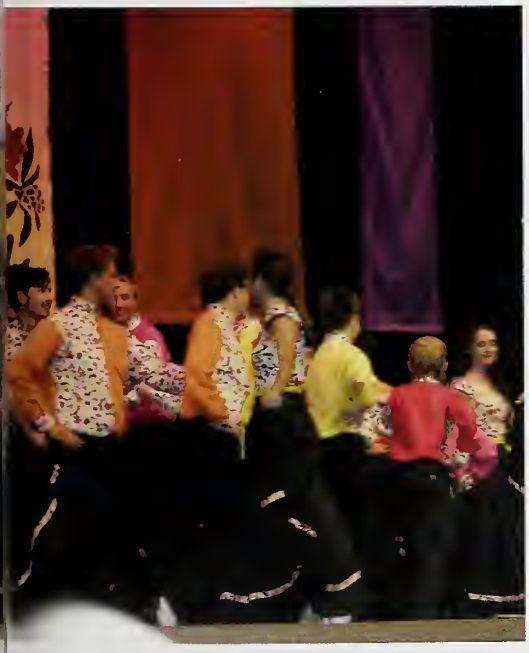


The Bascom Lamar Lunsford Festival is the second oldest folk festival in the region. It started in 1967 to not only celebrate the region's finest music, dance, and crafts, but also by creating a space for preservation and authenticity. The environment they created supports the sharing of knowledge and passion from the older generations to the younger ones, building a space for continuity in the traditions that are unique to the Southern Appalachian Mountains (from the Bascom Lunsford festival website). Many MHU faculty, staff, and students are participants in the event including the Bailey Mountain Cloggers and MHU's Ramsey Center.





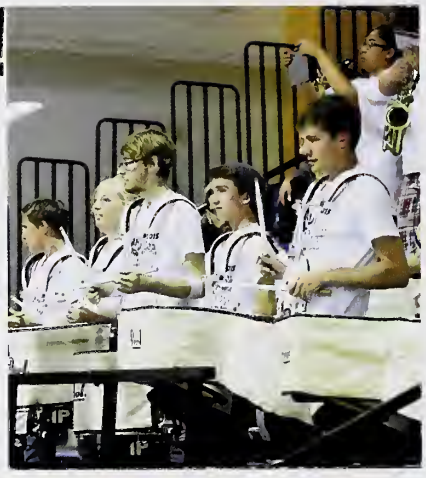








Raising Spirit!



Drumroll Please! Hear the thunder on the hill? It's our award-winning drumline hammering out beats that raise spirit and get everyone in the mood for victory!

Go! Go Hill! Go Mars Hill! Head cheerleader Emily Lasasso leads her squad in pumping up the crowd with the fight song.





Leading Roles

The University bands together to raise some hill!



Cosmo assures Savannah Maynor and Meagan McNeely that Mars Hill is the best place to be!



The Bailey Mountain Cloggers deliver a flawless routine. The national champion team is certainly something for the student body to take pride in.



Senior members of the football team wait to be recognized by Coach Clifton.



Coach Clifton introduces his senior players and delivers a pep talk about the crowd role in the success of the football team.

Raise the Roof

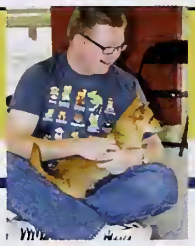
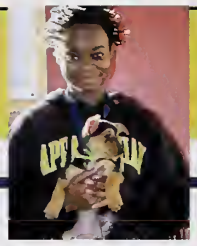


The Lions Growl is a longstanding tradition of the homecoming celebration! Through the years it has undergone many changes in the content but the basics will always remain; cheerleaders, athletes, coaches, Bailey Mountain Cloggers and the band all come together to raise Mars Hill! Some changes seen this year included Lions Growl being held on Friday instead of Thursday and it was held in the gym because of the rainy weather. As always, Coach Clifton gave a rousing speech that left the crowd roaring with excitement for the game the next day. More is in store because Campus Activities Board plans to have a pep rally for each sports season this year!

Catch Me If You Can! The cheerleaders performed fearless stunts to show off their hard work, dedication, and school spirit for the Mars Hill Lions!

Lions Growl

Puppy Day/Kitten Korner

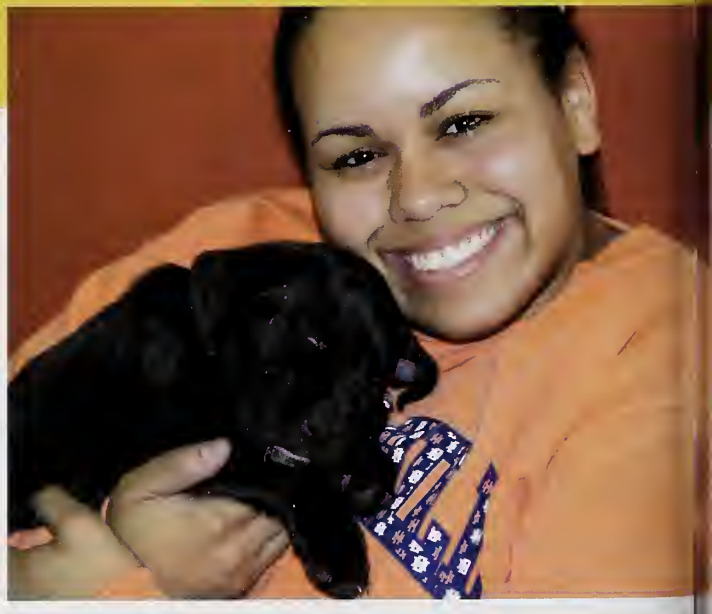


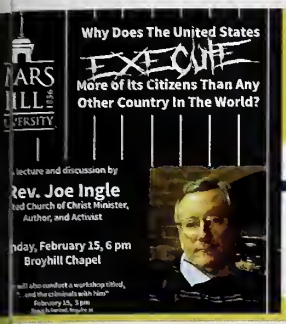
Puppy Day and Kitten Korner came to the campus once again this year. Students were able to enjoy the cuddly company of puppies and kittens for $3 per 15 minutes. This came just in time to reduce stress before the dreaded final exams. All animal participants were rescues and available for adoption with most getting adopted at past events. All proceeds went to animal rescue groups in Madison County. This event is a student favorite and a win-win for all involved.















Speaking to The HILL!





(left) Rodney Johnson, MHU Alumni gives the keynote at the MLK day events at MHU. (above) Pi Sigma Alpha & Green Party candidate Dr. Bill Kreml (below) Poli Sci Major Aaron Kennedy with the President of the UN General Assembly Mogens Lykketoft.



A few of our Guests...

From Senators to Presidential Candidates, Religious Leaders, prestigious Alumni and many others come and visit our students here at MHU. Pi Sigma Alpha (PSA), with their advisor Dr. Hawn and President Arsidez Leon, continues to host the most speakers annually.



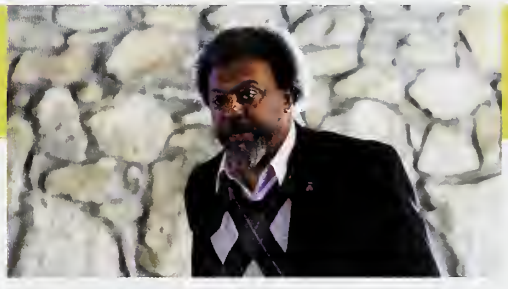
(above) Representative Michele Presnell invited by College Republicans.



(bove) Pi Sigma Alpha & Darryl Hunt for his discussion on the Death Penalty. (below) Father Michael Lapsley and students.



(above) NAACP, BSA, PSA, & DKT Student leaders dedicate a tree to Oralene Simmons. (below) Stephen Blount and Dr. Robert Livingston from Havard University on MLK day.



(above) Dr. James Shields, from Gilford College speaks about making King's Dream come true. (below) PSA members and Dr. Ali Demirdas, a Middle Eastern Politics expert from the College of Charleston at the World Affairs Council.

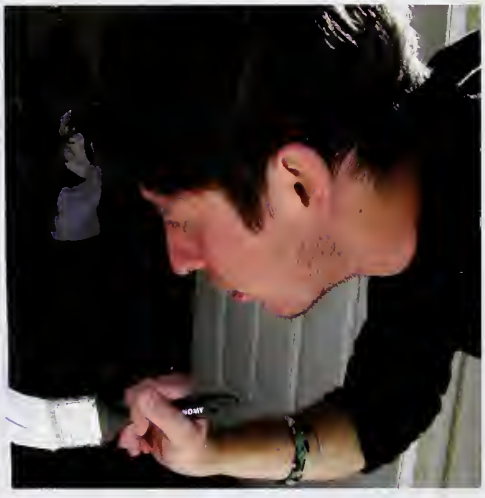




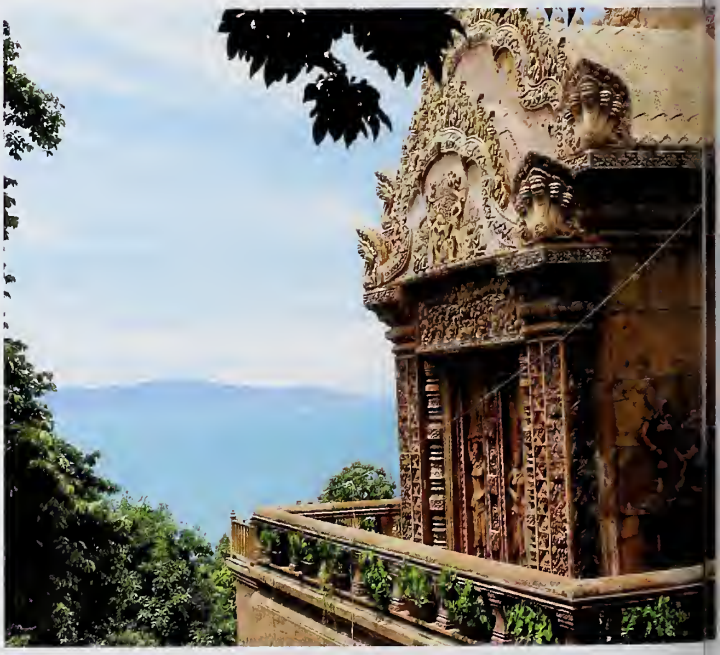



My Sister's Attic
Thankful Hearts Gather Here....
My Sister's Attic
Thankful Hearts Gather Here
HOURS
Open
SATURDAY











Beyond The Hill











Ministry beyond the HILL













Summer for many is filled with trips to the beach, traveling with friends and family, working various summer jobs and a myriad of other activities to enjoy their time away from school. For others, summer is a time to give their time, talents and hearts to others through service. Mission trips are one avenue that MHU students, faculty, and staff use to give to others.

These mission trips become life changing experiences that remind of how well off we really are. Faces of the people young and old, that are recipients of the service, humble those who serve them. The love that develops for these amazing people make it hard to leave at the end of the mission's duration.

Matthew 25: 40 says "...Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." When we serve others, we are only serving our God.













102 Service Trips!





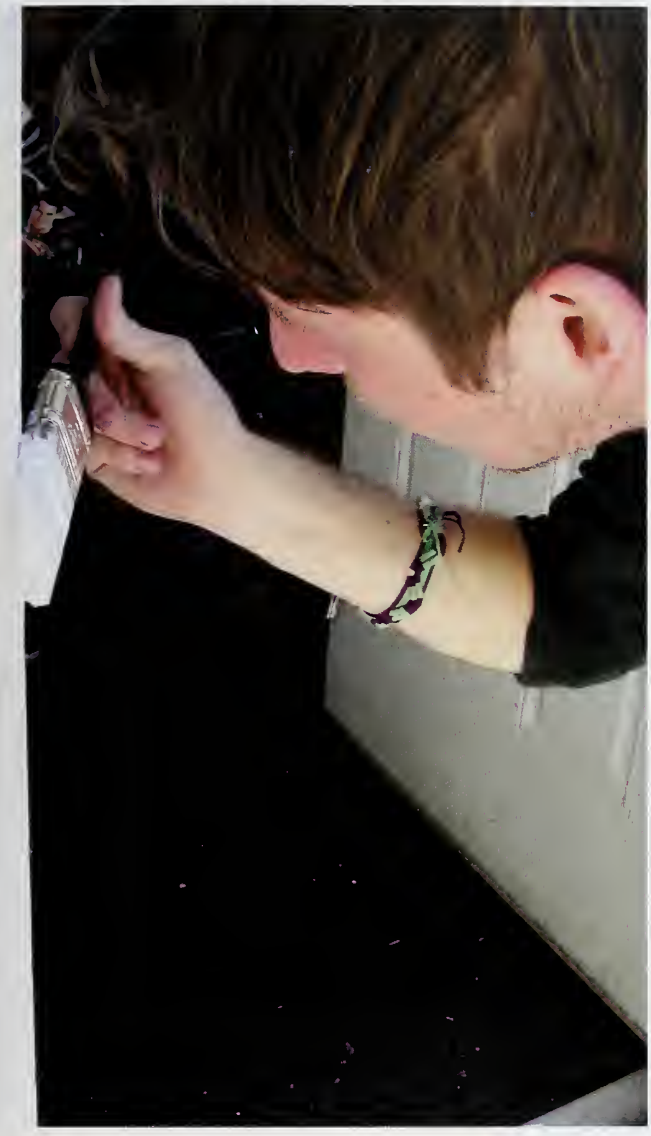
Helping Others

"I loved working at My Sister's Attic; I'm glad I had a chance to help the community"- Jordan Talley



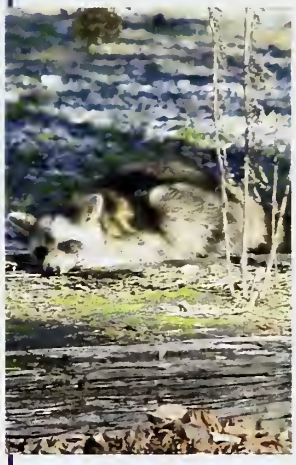






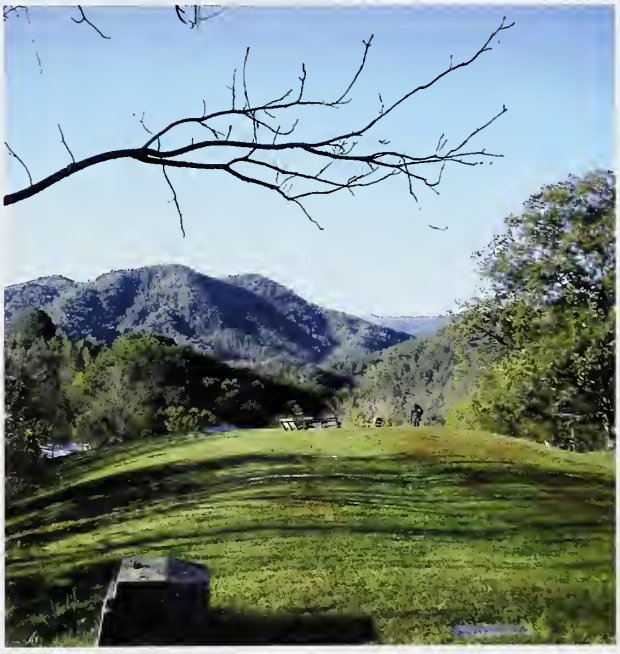


MHU's Christian Student Movement hosted a Fall Break Service where they went to Glory Ridge, a campground for those looking to assist citizens in the community. While at Glory Ridge, the students worked on "The Sister's House" a new cottage home being built on the Glory Ridge property. The students painted the house, cut plywood, and many other duties to help complete the house. The rest of fall break, they assisted "Sister's Attic", a thrift store, which all proceeds go to victims of domestic violence. They switched out their summer stock for winter clothes to sale. The students loved the trip. "It was uplifting and unspeakably touching for the soul", said senior Brook Hudson.











Internation'hill'

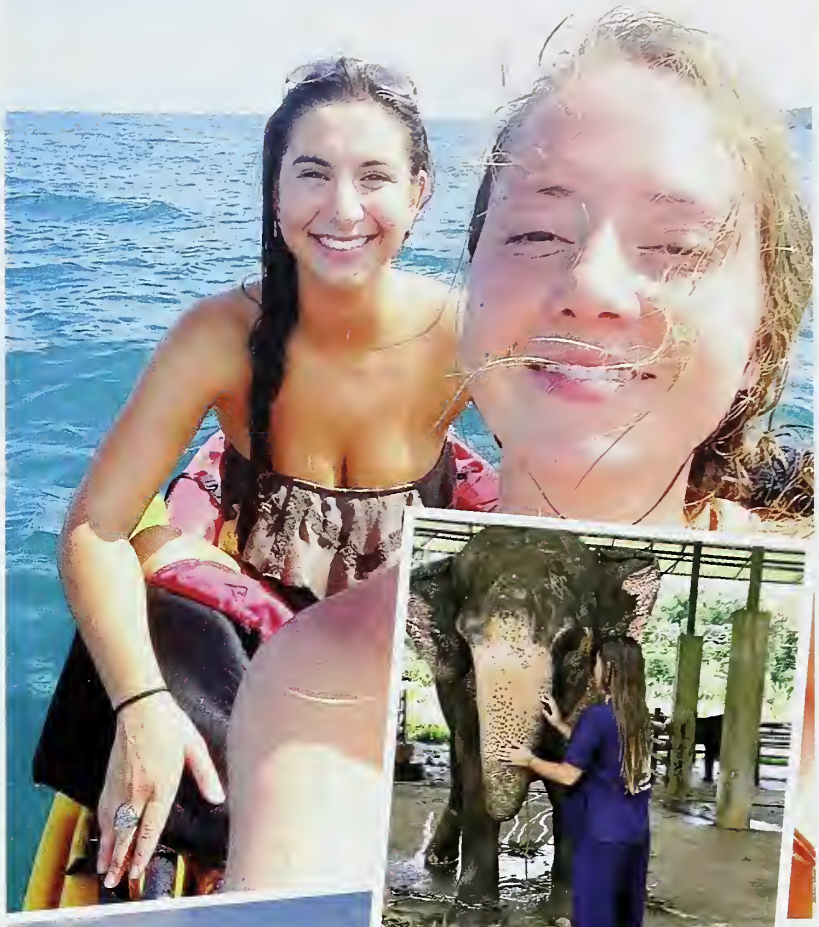


They come from all corners of the world, each hoping to leave their mark on this new place they have chosen as home for the next four years. For some, they come to improve their English, get an education and learn about the American way of life. For others, they came to do all those things while playing the sport they love. While each has their own reason for coming, they quickly form bonds and create an international family.

Students this year come from Angola, Austria, Austraila, the Bahamas, Brazil, Canada, China, Curacoa, France, Germany, Greece, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and the United Kingdom. Skyping and emails are helpful in keeping in touch with family and friends at home so far away.

No matter the reason they came, Mars Hill is fortunate to have them here!





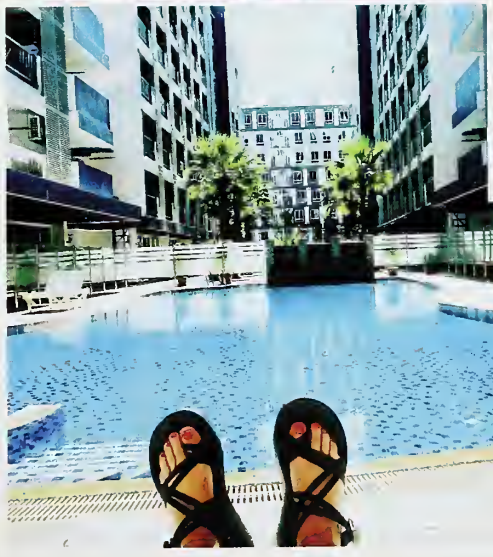




Studying Abroad

Abby Spitler

by is a Junior who attends Mahidol University
chose to Study Abroad in Thailand because
wanted to get away from the typical college
style, and Abby always wanted to travel.
hough she sometimes miss those Blue Ridge
Mountains, Thailand has been a spectacular
enture. Traveling to Thailand has given Abby
w sense of freedom, in which she is totally
erging herself into Thai culture, and learning
language. Abby loves learning about Thai
ure because it made her question all her
its and things that she consider normal.
by talked about how everyone is so nice and
ful, and Thailand is reassuring her of all the
d people in the world. Abby said she couldn't
nore happy with the present moment and
g here with complete strangers.





"I feel that studying abroad has made me more independent, well-rounded individual.."
-Abby Spitler













Over The Hill



Mars Hill has recently changed its status from a college to University with a desire to expand upon the liberal arts education. Two of the new additions to Mars Hill are the Ferguson Nursing Building which will house all the nursing classes for the nursing program and Day Hall for the bookstore and business department. Other projects to come include renovation to the Wren Union and a field house. This all could not be done without the help of our generous alumni and board of trustees who work to ensure that every MHU student has the opportunity to experience Mars Hill and show what makes its so special to us all. From the Laurel Staff, faculty, staff, and student body we thank you for all your support.











Building a new Mars Hill







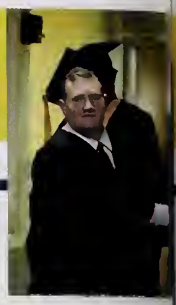




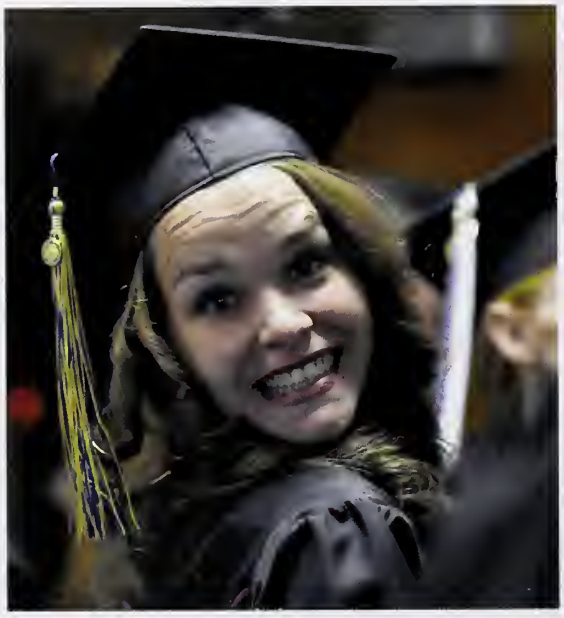


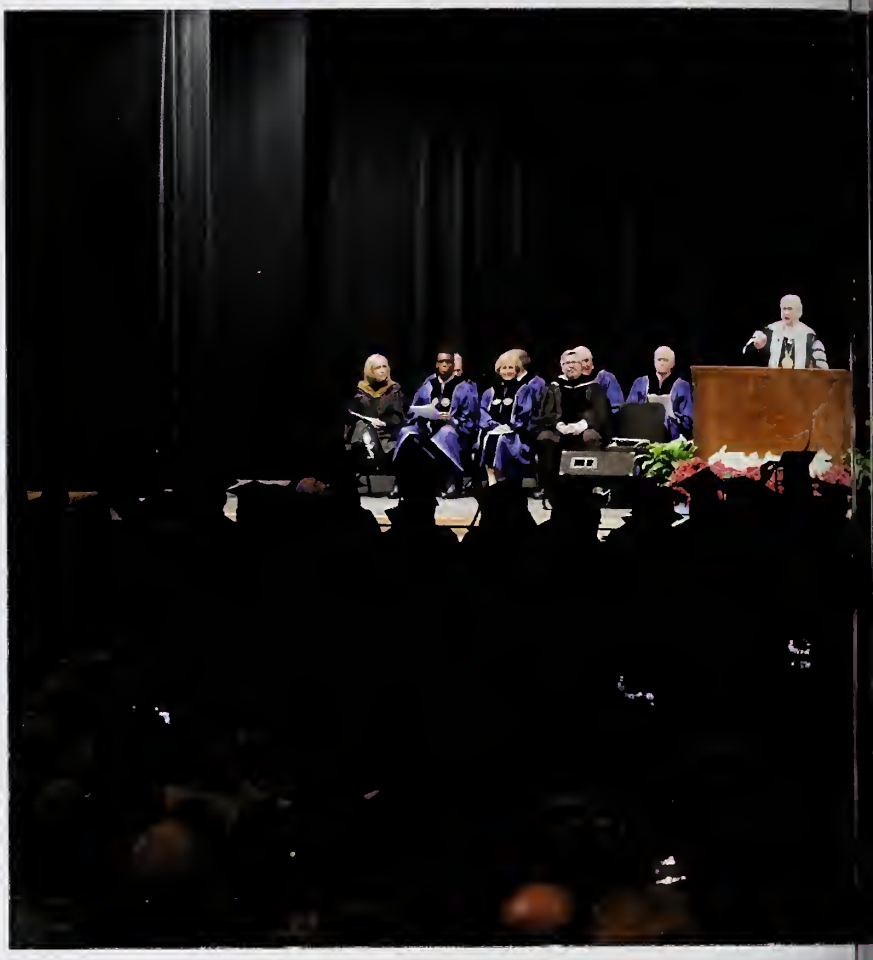
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The December graduation saw 82 August and December graduates have their degrees conferred on them. Keynote speaker Mike Kelly, a 1982 MHC grad, shared insights and advice to the full house. Student speakers included Tricia Ellis and Talina Royer. Special music was provided by Anthony Sabatino, accompanied by Laura Maynard, Luke Rathbone, and Spencer Taunton. Anna Dillon and Andrew Hoots offered the invocation and benediction, respectively.





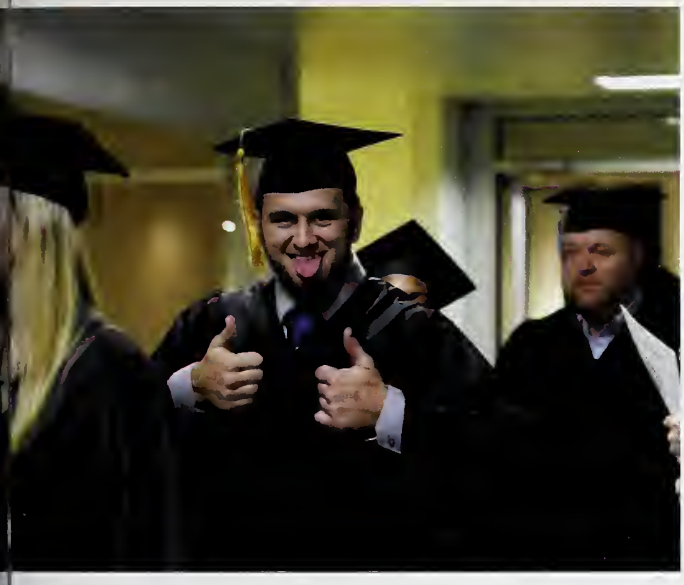






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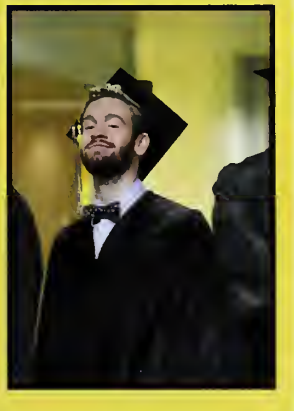
Graduation MHU

Ready for the World!









Athletic Rosters

Football

Shaikel Davis
Jamel Harbison
Chris Trimmings
Jeremy Hughes
Gilbert Johnson
Joshua Murphy
Austin Brown
Chris Leamon
Trey Clark
Zach Lappin
Anthony Carson
Nicolas Sanders
Tradd Porter
Keshaun Taylor
Randy Hernandez
Chris Moseley
Matt Layman
Chris Mangum
Martay Mattox
Foluke Gordon-Lamar
Cameron Ray
Carl Mattox
Robert Morgan, Jr.
Andrew Bocci
Germell Jenkins
Chris Reeder
Jacari Williams
Kel Durant
Dominik Spain
Cruz Galaviz
Adrian Bentley
Marquez Williams
Malik Sims
Joshua Dawkins
Richard Hanks
Jerjuan Edwards
Teddy Adkins
Jamel Hall
Darius Blackwell
Michael McDavid, Jr.
Taylor Hardigree
Drew Huskey
Jamel Brintley
Derek English
Dylan Barnas
Bryce King
Tray Smith
Jaylon Harvey
Ricky Hawks
Tyler Guy Parrish
Lane Burnett
Colby Price
Josh Chapman
Jake Sell
Joe Hillin
Enea Asllanaj
Andrew Blanton
Trevor Gilmore
Shane Hawkins
DeAndre Harper
Hunter Payne
Richard Taylor
Jerome Maybank
Chris Russo
Wajih Albaroudi
Christiaan Davis
D'Amonte Knight
Hezekiah McKinnon
Michael Ashley
Markece Cunningham
Brenden McWilliams
Shadow Christenson
Matthew Maennle
Paul Bynoe
D'Andre Dunbar
Jordan Patterson
Chris Daniels
Darontae Mitchell
Johnny Maxey
Jordan Destaffino
DaJon Montague
Desmond Spikes
Demarius Stewart
Cole Stanfill
Tyler Stewart
John Augustin
Yusuf Baski
Dillon Berryhill
Avery Brumlow
Isaiah Burris
Darius Daniels
Markese Desaussure
Tyler Ferguson
Lenorris Gaines
Charles Gilcrest
Felix Graham
Terry Harrell, Jr
Brandon Helms
Austin Horne
Jacob Ingram
Travis James
Justice Johnson
Pierre Lockwood
Preston Lockwood
Tucker Lowery
Aymel Lyles
Marquise Lyles
Jonathan McClure
Darius Murry
Lucien Newsome
Steven Reynolds
Ray Rice
CJ Robinson
Emmanuel Robinson
Ray Ross, Jr.
Edward Ryles
Maurice Smith
Trey Taylor
CJ Tillman
Savone Wardlow
Zachary Wardlow

Men's Soccer

Taylor Rozynski
Connor Talbot
Chris Mitchell
Elliot Tate
Christian McArthur
Pedro Chaves
Chandler Echols
Joao Caselatto
Cody Foreman
Ian Wu
Stian Sanner
Jackson Lown
Amine Merdjett
Mark Hartmann
Cameron Macer
Sam Roe
McKenzie Shubert
TJ Stenberg
Alex Riggati
Owen Hutto
Alex Guzman
Kenny Anderson
Robert Taylor
Oscar Mitchell
Matthew Jackson
Ben Lucas

Women's Soccer

Maslyn Greene
Tori Stajduhar
Breona Tate
Aerial Ellis
Rachel Blong
Taylor Tester
Jessica Zedek
Kanani Thomas
Jordan Allen
Whitney Wood
Hannah Russell
Morgan Meyer
Leah Hairfield
Nicole Benzrihem
Abby Mills
Heather Bittle
Paige Thompson
Emily Rhea
Leeanna Pope
Haley Stewart
Ashley Martian
Julia Johnson
Murray Meyer
Shelby Kelly
Shelby Savolainen

Volleyball

Sarah Lorick
Bryanna Zwick
Sara Fahrenbrook
Robbi Clark
Rebecca Butler
Lauren Hochstetler
Ellen Davis
Elizabeth Kaeser
Victoria Kaiser
Maddie Spurgeon
Andie Russell
Mary Kate Griffin
Courtney O'Keefe
Maddie Chervenak

Women's Cross Country

Danielle Dunn
Nyla Feeney
Alex Herbison
Savannah Hulbert
Kaleigh Jackson
Holly Lord
Justice Nelson
Dawn Radford
Shelby Robinson
Megan Smith
Vanessa Viscusi
Andrea Wolfrey

Men's Cross Country

Noah Allison
Brandon Beard
Garrett Farrimond
Gil Gilreath
Alex Griggs
Trey Heavener
Nathan Jones
Daniel Lerner
Nick Resor
Cesar Reyes
Justin Sestan
Chase Shermer
Jonathan Spence
Hunter Townsend
Nathan Wheeler

Women's Swimming

Leah Behar
Kathryn Boland
Megan Bushey
Madison Durham
Elle Grier
Marissa Hall
Abby Harty
Araya Houghton
Rachel Nichols
Shelby Parrott
Brin Sampson
JJ Washshah

Men's Swimming

Devin Abernathy
Bill Barrett
Harrison Butler
Kendall Corbett
Brian Davis
Vitor Goncalves
Grant Greenhill
David Hallberg
Michael Hill
Brett Malmstrom
Ryan Martin
Trey Mason
Alandas McGraw
Jake Moore
Thomas Moore
Zach Muehl
Zach Naelitz
Michael Norman
Michael Piumelli
Samuel Ransom
Drew Rosser
Brady Rothschild
Elijah Sears
Matthew Walker

Women's Basketball

Brittany Dixon
Kelsey Espinosa
Raven Brown
Brenda Kamga
Sydney Comer
Taron Smith
Ansley Ricker
Paige Chavis
Genice Lane
Brooke Anthony-Robinson
Cadence Wilmoth
Raven Brooks
Shakira Allen

Men's Basketball
Michael Carson
Brandon McCarter
Jalen Witherspoon
Luke Van-Rijn
Vernon Jackson
Ethan Gillis
Surmon Neal
DJ Scott
Kessio Viegas
Patrick Monroe
Valentine Bauer
Cody Hylton
Tyree Griffin
Justin Yeargin
Brandon Bilbija
Brandon Watkins
Manny Polston
Kevin Haynes

Women's Track and Field
Jordan Bair
Samantha Burns
Shamya Carr
Aiyana Chin
Danielle Dunn
LeeAnn Farr
Nyla Feeney
Samantha Hall
Shaquavia Harper
Alex Herbison
Savannah Hulbert
Kaleigh Jackson
Quanita Johnson
Taylor Jordan
Megan Lewendowski
Holly Lord
Autumn Miller
Justice Nelson
Dawn Radford
Alauna Reckley
Amber Redmond
Sakinna Richardson
Shelby Robinson
Arriel Smith
Megan Smith
Dana Thompson
Vanessa Viscusi
Deja Wilkins
Shahnika Williams
Andrea Wolfrey

Men's Track and Field
Marlon Allen
Noah Allison
Malik Anderson
Brandon Beard
Nathan Britt
Garrett Farrimond
Noah Ford
Keenan Foxx
Aaron Frietag
Dontonio Garrison
Gil Gilreath
Trey'lyn Glover
Justin Gragg
Trey Graham
Alex Griggs
Preston Harrison
Trey Heavener
Dalton Henkel
Austin Horne
Nathan Jones
Quan'ye Jordan
Michael Koch
Cameron Lackey
Daniel Lerner
Joshua Pike
Nick Resor
Cesar Reyes
Justin Sestan
Chase Shermer
Jonathan Spence
Jordan Stovall
Hunter Townsend
Nathan Wheeler
Deonte Wright

Baseball
Harrison Keslar
Luke Baker
Tommy Ollis
Rayshelon Carolina
Evan Rogers
Lance Edwards
Ky'Rawn Whitfield
Drayden Williams
Hunter Merrill
Adam Daniel
Jordan Hicks
Matt Honeycutt
Cameron Wright
Bryce Gainer
Harrison Hollis
Tyler Mericka
Lane Grant
Hunter Boydston
Logan Conley
Dustin Jones
Dalton Eisenbath
Tom Mastrodonato
Patrick Riehl
Chandler Young
Kaleb McCurry
Blaine Farrell
Brett Brubaker
Caleb Edwards
Tyler Sides
Troy Hall
Jared Green
Joshua Epley
Fausto Turro
Johnathan Stamey
Daniel Vitello
Zac Brown
Austin Marler
Dylan Powers
Phillip Carroll
Alan Kolb
Alec Bivins
Christian Stampler

Softball
Krista Romine
Hollie Norris
Patricia Thompson
Ragan Broome
Ally Sherman
Madelyn Furr
Shelby Culler
Ellen Tillman
Madison Bumgarner
Jamie Booze
Lacee Hunsucker
Casey Stanek
Michaela Drewnoski
Sydney Elkin
Erin Vickery
Kayleigh Jonas
Taylor Lail
Madison Gilliland
Coral Foster
Emily Crouse

Lacrosse
Nick Lilly
Mike McKee
Dima Ferriera
Chase Pretti-Pearsall
Jake Trafton
Nathan Stewart
Asyck Schildt
John Saunders
Clay Peregoy
Josh Bryers
Kyle Dozzi
Ryan Kearney
Paxton Turner
Dylan Livingston
Addison Sowell
A.J. Seip
Quinlan Blackmon
William Shipman
Alex Lipsky
Warren Nunley
Preston Turner
Zach Lohman
Hunter Maggs
Anthony Farmer
Wristen Davis
Austin Bouchard
Spencer Andrews

Women's Golf
Lindsey Ball
Victoria Barrett
Raven Brown
Sarah Johnson
Emma Lundvall
Courtney Jo Simpkins
Katie Stroupe
Marie Syvertsen

Men's Golf
Filip Andersson
Alejandro Canizares
Nick Caruso
Ken Dixon
Antonio Douat
Chevy Hartzog
Francesc Llinas
Adam Lumley
Levi Neeson
Dalton Thompson

Women's Tennis
Ashley Belk
Samantha Echevarria
Jasha Geerdink
Luz Heilman
Jade Henke
Natalie Hilbig
Hannah Hill
Lucy McLaurin

Men's Tennis
Blake Covington
Markus Gattner
Sam Lee
Daniel Nelson
Alberto Ortiz
Alejandre Ozaki
Ben Reid
Carlos Suares Riesco

Women's Cycling
Alex Christofalos
Josie Ritchie
Paige Shook

Men's Cycling
Nathan Britt
John Croom
Nathan Hake
Cavin Heaton
Michael McLawhorn
Erich Mesquita

Cheerleading
Tristian Brown
Emily LaSasso
Te'Osha Miller
Valesca Perez
Casi Pearson
Makenzie Bennett
Ariana Phillips
Jasmine Dies
Sierra Keaton
Camisha Coffey
Anjelique Diaz
Cylee Patterson
Courtney Johnson
Karen Romero
Angel Manser
Kayla Kirtner
Hannah Hill
Lindsey Sears



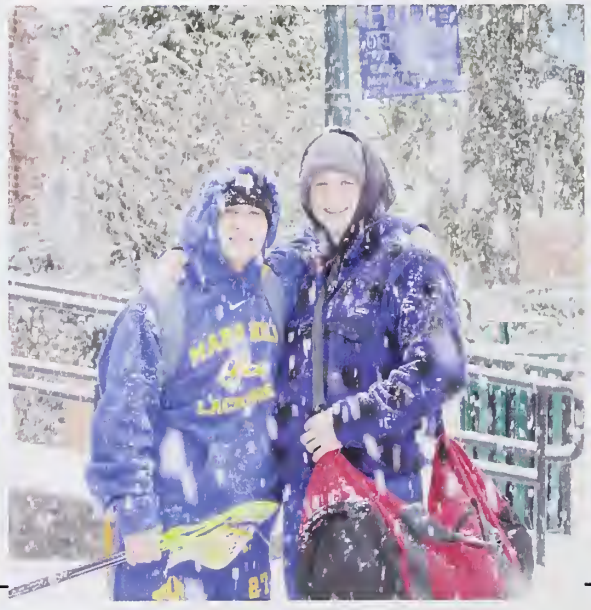

























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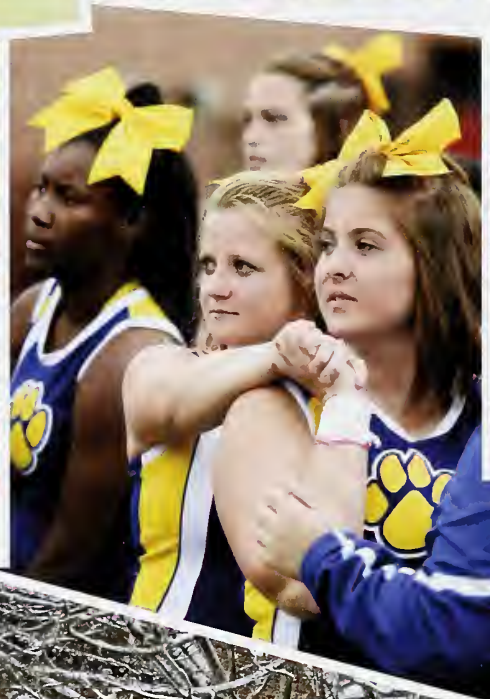














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MUSIC

1. NOT BAD
Taylor Swift's "Bad Blood" video, with an all-star cast of actresses and models, wins the VMA Music Video of the Year award.

2. A DIFFERENT DIRECTION
One Direction releases its sixth album, *Made In The A.M.*, and announces an extended break.

3. TRUE PURPOSE
Justin Bieber releases his fourth studio album, *Purpose*, which impresses even non-Beliebers.

4. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES
The Weeknd's *Beauty Behind the Madness* album features duets with Ed Sheeran and Lana Del Rey.

5. NOT TOO LATE
Drake delights fans and critics with his acclaimed album *If You're Reading This It's Too Late.*

6. WOMEN ON TOP
Katy Perry and Taylor Swift top the Forbes list of top-earning women in music.

7. CRUSHED IT
Little Big Town's "Girl Crush" wins Single of the Year and Song of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

8. WISTFUL HELLO
Adele releases "Hello," the first hit single from her much-awaited album *25.*

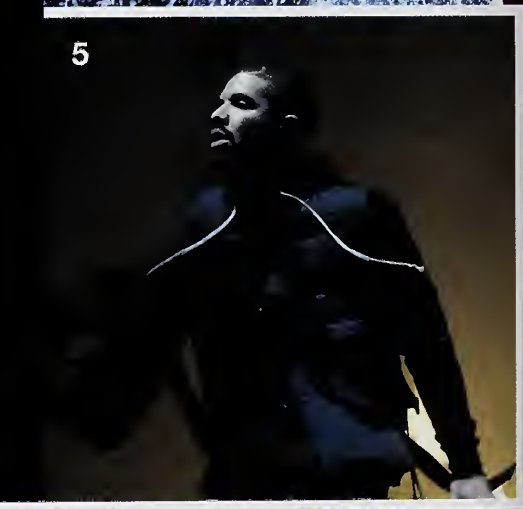
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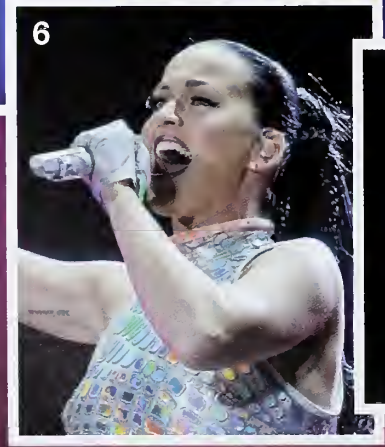
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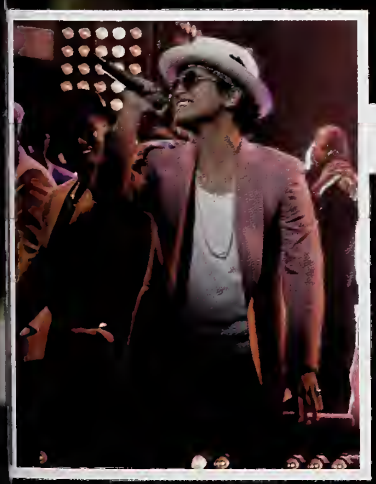
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TOP SONGS OF 2015

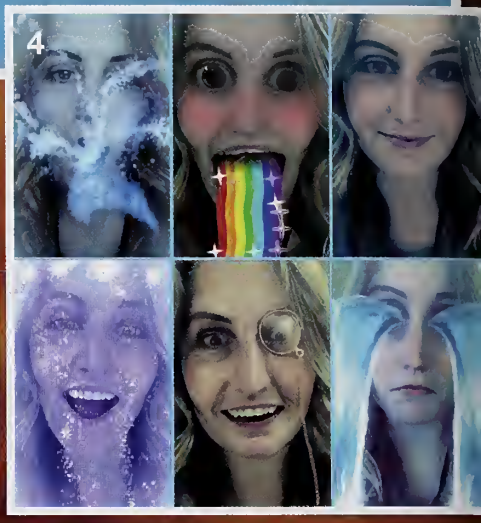
1. *Uptown Funk!* – Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars
2. *Thinking Out Loud* – Ed Sheeran
3. *See You Again* – Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth
4. *Trap Queen* – Fetty Wap
5. *Sugar* – Maroon 5
6. *Shut Up And Dance* – Walk the Moon
7. *Blank Space* – Taylor Swift
8. *Watch Me* – Silento
9. *Earned It* – The Weeknd
10. *The Hills* – The Weeknd

http://www.billboard.com/charts/year-end/2015/hot-100-songs









SOCIAL MEDIA

1. MINECRAFT
Minecraft: Pocket Edition, enabling users to build their own imaginative worlds, comes in on top for most downloaded game app.

2. LIFE IS A STREAM
Users broadcast their videos in real time with Periscope, the popular new live streaming app. Apple names it the iPhone® app of the year.

3. BOY BAND BEEF
One Direction fans are even more heartbroken when Zayn Malik launches a Twitter feud with his former band mates.

4. SELFIES 2.0
Snapchat launches Lenses, a suite of zany, animated special effects you can layer over your face.

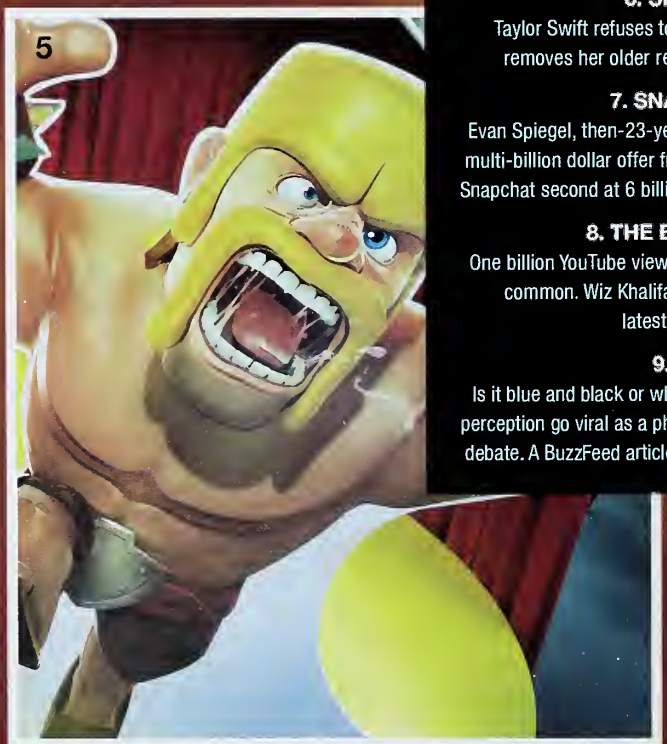
5. CASH FOR CLANS
The small cost for exponentially increasing your ability to defend and combat opposing bases wins out over the wallet in the mobile app game, Clash of Clans. This top grossing app raked in an incredible $1.56 million per day from users dolling out real cash to develop virtual troops.

6. SILENT PROTEST
Taylor Swift refuses to put her *1989* album on Spotify and removes her older releases from the streaming service.

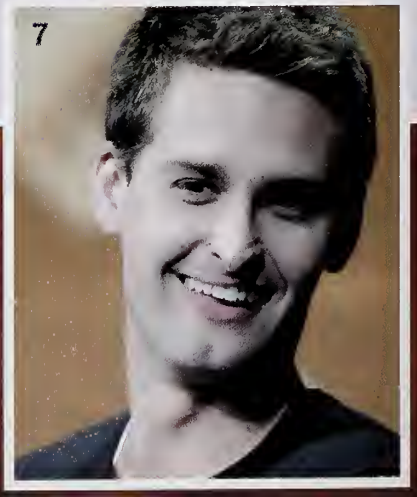
7. SNAPCHAT SURGES
Evan Spiegel, then-23-year-old CEO of Snapchat, turned down a multi-billion dollar offer from Facebook. Now, usage reports hoist Snapchat second at 6 billion views per day to Facebook's 8 billion.

8. THE BILLION VIEW CLUB
One billion YouTube views, once rare, are becoming increasingly common. Wiz Khalifa's "See You Again" is the tenth and latest member of the club.

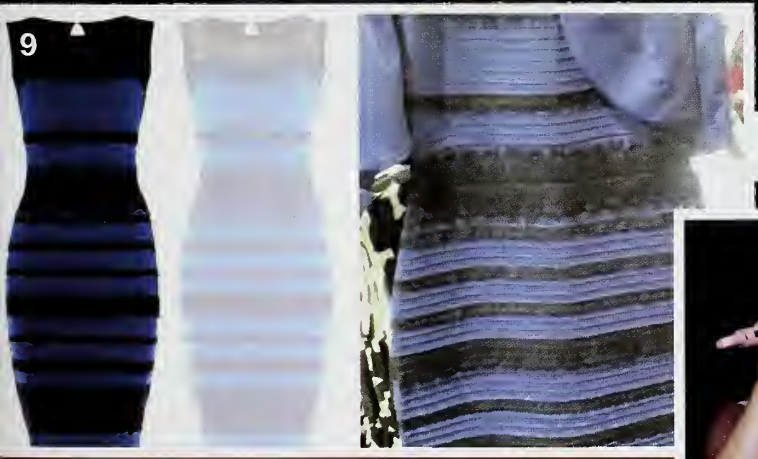
9. #THEDRESS
Is it blue and black or white and gold? Variations in human color perception go viral as a photo of a dress on Tumblr prompts heated debate. A BuzzFeed article about the dress attracts 37 million hits.











FOLLOW THE LEADERS



Katy Perry is the most-followed celebrity on Twitter.

1. Katy Perry
2. Justin Bieber
3. Taylor Swift
4. Barack Obama
5. YouTube
6. Rihanna
7. Lady Gaga
8. Justin Timberlake
9. Ellen DeGeneres
10. Twitter

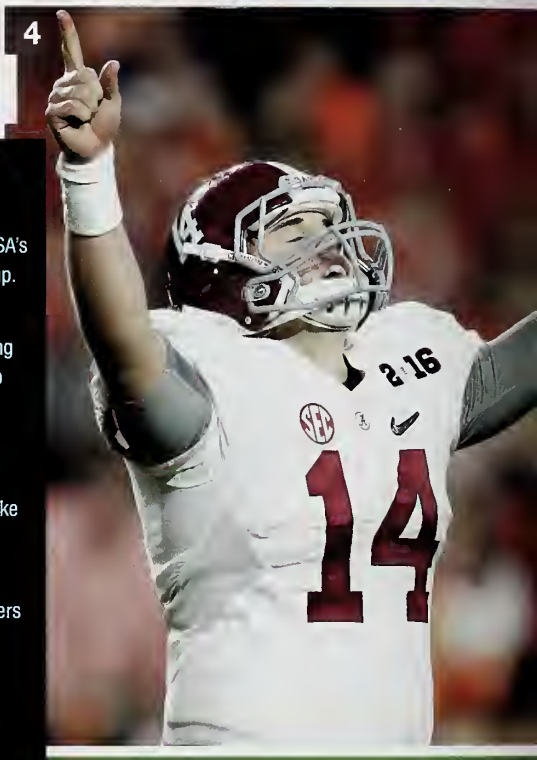
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SPORTS



1. ABBY HANGS UP HER CLEATS
The world's leading scorer and captain of USA women's soccer team, Abby Wambach, announced her retirement following Team USA's triumphant win against Japan (5-2) in the World Cup championship.

2. LITTLE LEAGUE, BIG WIN
Japan wins 2015 Little League Baseball World Series by defeating Mid-Atlantic in an astounding six innings. Shingo Tomita hit two opportune homers in the second and third innings that boosted his team toward their 18-11 run win.

3. DAYTONA SURPRISE
With his surprise Daytona 500 victory, Joey Logano of Team Penske grabs a spot in the chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup.

4. DIVISION ONE DOMINANCE
University of Alabama Crimson Tide defeats Clemson University Tigers 45 to 40 in the NCAA FBS National Championship game.

5. UFC UPSET
The #RouseyRevolution of MMA superstar Ronda Rousey takes an unexpected detour with a knockout from Holly Holm.

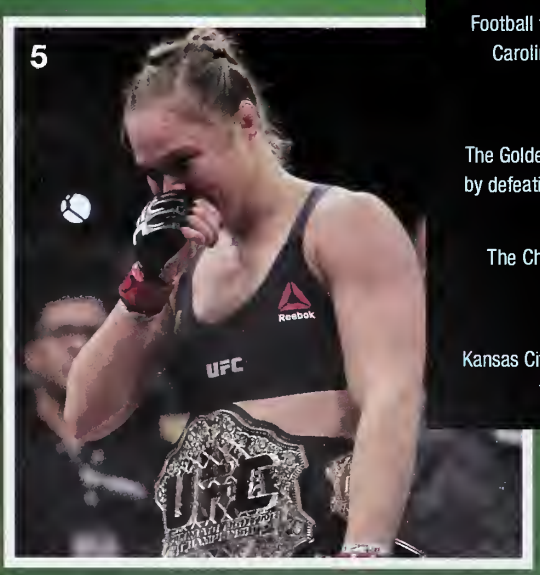
6. SERENA THE GREAT
After winning 3 of 4 Grand Slam tournaments in 2015, Serena Williams was named as the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for the fourth time.

7. SUPER SHOWDOWN
Football fans sat captivated as the Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers 24 to 10 in the NFL Championship game at Levi's Stadium in San Francisco.

8. WARRIORS WIN
The Golden State Warriors end their 40-year championship drought by defeating the Cleveland Cavaliers to win the NBA Championship.

9. THE CUP COMES BACK
The Chicago Blackhawks defeat the Tampa Bay Lightning to win their sixth Stanley Cup Championship.

10. ROYALS REIGN
Kansas City fans go wild when the Royals defeat the New York Mets four games to one to win the MLB World Series.













2015 GOLD GLOVE AWARD WINNERS

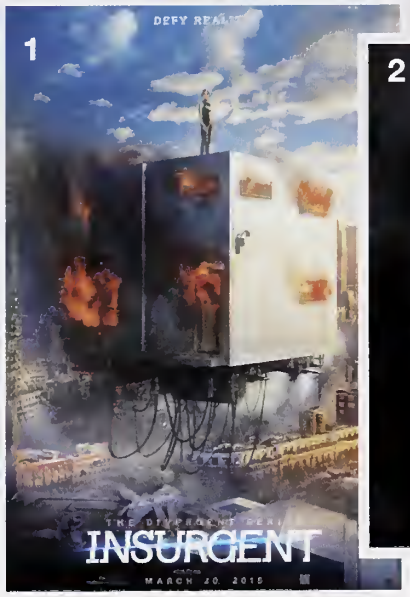
POSITION	AL WINNER	TEAM	POSITION	NL WINNER	TEAM
P	Dallas Keuchel	HOU	P	Zack Greinke	LAD
C	Salvador Pérez	KCR	C	Yadier Molina	STL
1B	Eric Hosmer	KCR	1B	Paul Goldschmidt	ARI
2B	Jose Altuve	HOU	2B	Dee Gordon	MIA
3B	Manny Machado	BAL	3B	Nolan Arenado	COL
SS	Alcides Escobar	KCR	SS	Brandon Crawford	SF
LF	Yoenis Cespedes	DET	LF	Starling Marte	PIT
CF	Kevin Kiermaier	TB	CF	AJ Pollock	ARI
RF	Kole Calhoun	LAA	RF	Jason Heyward	STL

TOP 5

HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES OF 2015

1. Floyd Mayweather, Jr.
2. Manny Pacquiao
3. Cristiano Ronaldo
4. Lionel Messi
5. Roger Federer

http://www.cheatsheet.com/sports/the-7-highest-paid-athletes-in-2015.html/?a=viewall







MOVIES

1. BEYOND THE WALL
Shailene Woodley returns as Tris Prior in the film adaptation of *The Divergent Series: Insurgent*.

2. A MONSTER HIT
Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard star in *Jurassic World*, the fourth movie in the Jurassic Park film series.

3. PRIDE AND JOY
The biopic *Joy* wins a Golden Globe, and so does Jennifer Lawrence for her portrayal of a divorced mom turned millionaire entrepreneur.

4. THE LIBERATION OF PANEM
Katniss Everdeen and her allies return to theaters for their final mission in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay -- Part 2*.

5. WINS IN THE WILDERNESS
The Revenant, a dark frontier drama starring Leonardo DiCaprio, wins numerous awards and a positive approval rating of 81% on Rotten Tomatoes.

6. LOST AND FOUND
When Margo goes missing, Quentin skips school to find her in *Paper Towns*, the film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel.

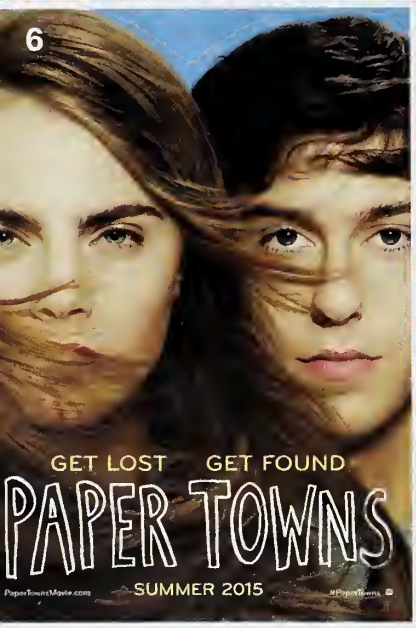
7. THE BREAKING POINT
Adventurers attempt to complete eight extreme ordeals in *Point Break*; the drama fails to win over critics but performs well at the box office.

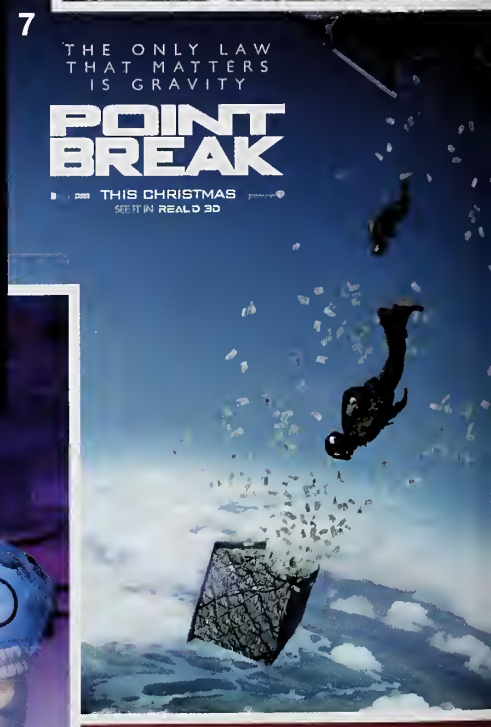
8. *INSIDE OUT*
Riley's emotions are personified in the newest Disney Pixar box office hit. Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness guide Riley through adjusting to her new life in San Francisco.

9. *STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS*
The new Star Wars film topped *Avatar* to claim the all-time No. 1 spot in North American box offices.













TOP 10

AT THE BOX OFFICE IN 2015

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1. *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
2. *Jurassic World*
3. *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
4. *Inside Out*
5. *Furious 7*
6. *Minions*
7. *The Hunger Games – Part 2*
8. *The Martian*
9. *Cinderella* (2015)
10. *Spectre* (James Bond)







POP CULTURE

1. 3D PRINTING EVOLVES
Demand for 3D printers climbs as the technology advances to accommodate metals, electronics, pharmaceuticals and biological materials.

2. BLOGGERS MAKE BANK
The most successful fashion and beauty bloggers and vloggers on Instagram can make up to $500,000 per year by offering affiliate links and sponsored content.

3. CAITLYN'S COURAGE
Newly transitioned transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner accepts the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY Awards.

4. MOST LIKED INSTAGRAM EVER
With more than 2.5 million likes, the image of model and reality TV star Kendall Jenner, with her hair arranged in heart shapes, is the most-liked Instagram photo ever.

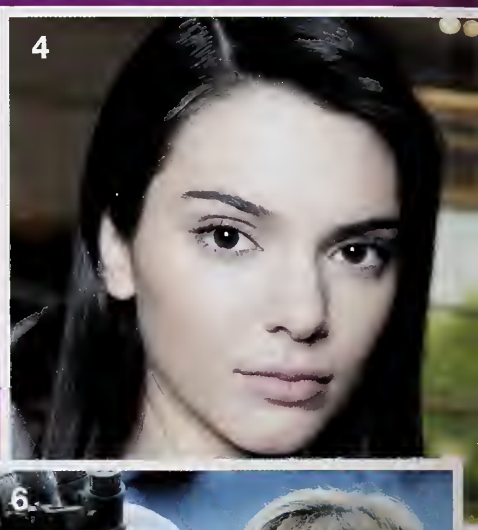
5. HEALTHY BUSINESS MODEL
With juice bar sales approaching $100 million a year, the cold-pressed juicing cleanse trend continues as busy, health-conscious consumers seek a shortcut to wellness.

6. THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WOMAN
Time magazine names Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel its Person of the Year and describes her as "Chancellor of the Free World."

7. KANYE ON THE RUNWAY
Following the success of Kanye West's Yeezy fashion label seasons 1 and 2, he recently debuted his third season at New York Fashion Week.

8. WASTE NOT
A Manhattan chef creates fine dining from "garbage" ingredients to demonstrate how to prevent food waste. The Federal government declares a national food waste reduction goal of 50% by 2030.

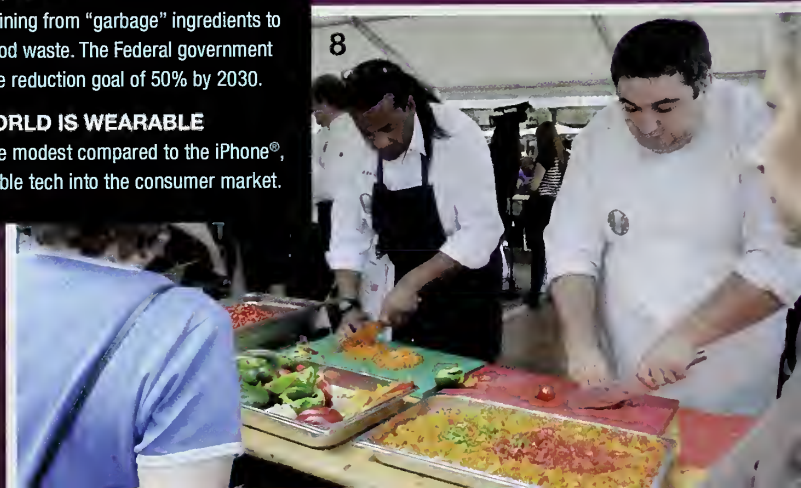
9. THE WATCHWORLD IS WEARABLE
Although sales of $1.7 billion are modest compared to the iPhone®, the Apple Watch® ushers wearable tech into the consumer market.













TOP 10 GOOGLE SEARCHES OF 2015

1. Paris Under Attack
2. Adele's Year
3. Oscars 2015
4. Caitlyn Jenner
5. Election of 2016
6. Mayweather vs. Pacquiao
7. Black Lives Matter
8. Guns in America
9. Royals Win World Series
10. A New Era in Late Night TV

https://www.google.com/trends/story/2015_US









HEADLINES

1. SYRIAN CRISIS
Continuing civil war in Syria results in more than 11 million refugees; more than 220,000 have died since the conflict began.

2. SAME-SEX MARRIAGE
In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court rules that same-sex marriage is legal in all 50 states.

3. TERRORISTS ATTACK PARIS
ISIS terrorists launch coordinated attacks targeting a soccer stadium, a rock concert and several restaurants in the French capital; 130 people perish.

4. PRE-PRIMARY
Candidates for 2016 Presidential Election Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders battle to be the Democrats' nominee. Donald Trump and Ben Carson were early frontrunners in the GOP race.

5. THE POPE COMES TO AMERICA
During his stay Pope Francis spoke to Congress, visited the White House, and dined with the homeless in Washington D.C.

6. APPLE ADVANCES
The new iPhone® 6s features more durable aluminum construction, a rose gold color option, 3D Touch access to apps and a 12MP camera.

7. NEPAL EARTHQUAKE
A magnitude 7.8 earthquake in Nepal rocks villages, damages structures and kills at least 5,000.

8. SOUTH CAROLINA DELUGE
Record-breaking rainfall amounts of up to 24 inches cause catastrophic flooding in the central and eastern regions of the state. Residents of Columbia are evacuated as the Overcreek Dam fails.

9. UNITED NATIONS OBSERVE 70TH ANNIVERSARY
More than 350 landmarks in more than 80 countries around the world celebrate with brilliant displays of blue lights. Blue is the official color of the UN.















MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

ACCORDING TO FORBES IN 2015

http://www.forbes.com/powerful-people/list/#tab:overall

1. Vladimir Putin, 63
2. Angela Merkel, 61
3. Barack Obama, 54
4. Pope Francis, 79
5. Xi Jingping, 62
6. Bill Gates, 60
7. Janet Yellen, 69
8. David Cameron, 49
9. Narendra Modi, 65
10. Larry Page, 42









TV/GAMING

1. *SCREAM QUEENS*
A serial killer called the Red Devil menaces the sorority sisters of Kappa Kappa Tau in the debut season of the Fox network's horror comedy.

2. *PRETTY LITTLE LIARS*
The Liars escape the dollhouse and secret identities are revealed in Season 6 of the ABC Family network drama.

3. *AMERICAN HORROR STORY: HOTEL*
Lady Gaga stars as The Countess in Season 5 of the FX horror series, set in a haunted Los Angeles hotel.

4. *ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK*
Netflix commits to a fourth season of the binge-worthy drama series, set in a women's prison.

5. *AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL: GUYS & GIRLS*
The judges choose Nyle DiMarco and Mamé Adjei as winners in Cycle 22 of the final season of the CW reality show.

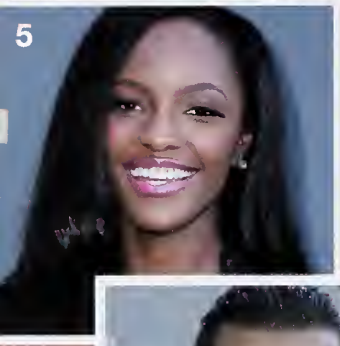
6. TOP-RANKED YOUTUBE GAMERS
With more than 10 billion video views, Swedish gamer PewDiePie tops the leaderboard of most popular YouTube channels.

7. NEW GAME, NEW STAR
Rory McIlroy succeeds Tiger Woods as the new face of EA Sports' PGA Tour golf game.

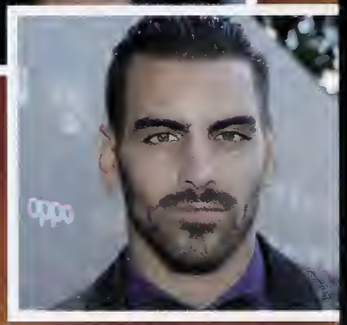
8. eSPORTS ARE BRINGING IN BILLIONS
With larger audiences and bigger prize pools, eGaming tournaments rival traditional sports events.

9. ESPN LEADS IN ALL-TIME CABLE RATINGS
ESPN is the most-watched cable network, even during presidential debates and news stories; the network holds the record for the top 20 most-viewed programs in cable TV history.

10. CALL OF DUTY: BLACK OPS III
The first-person shooter is set in the year 2065 and features zombie storylines, robotic drones and a team of soldiers with cybernetic enhancements.







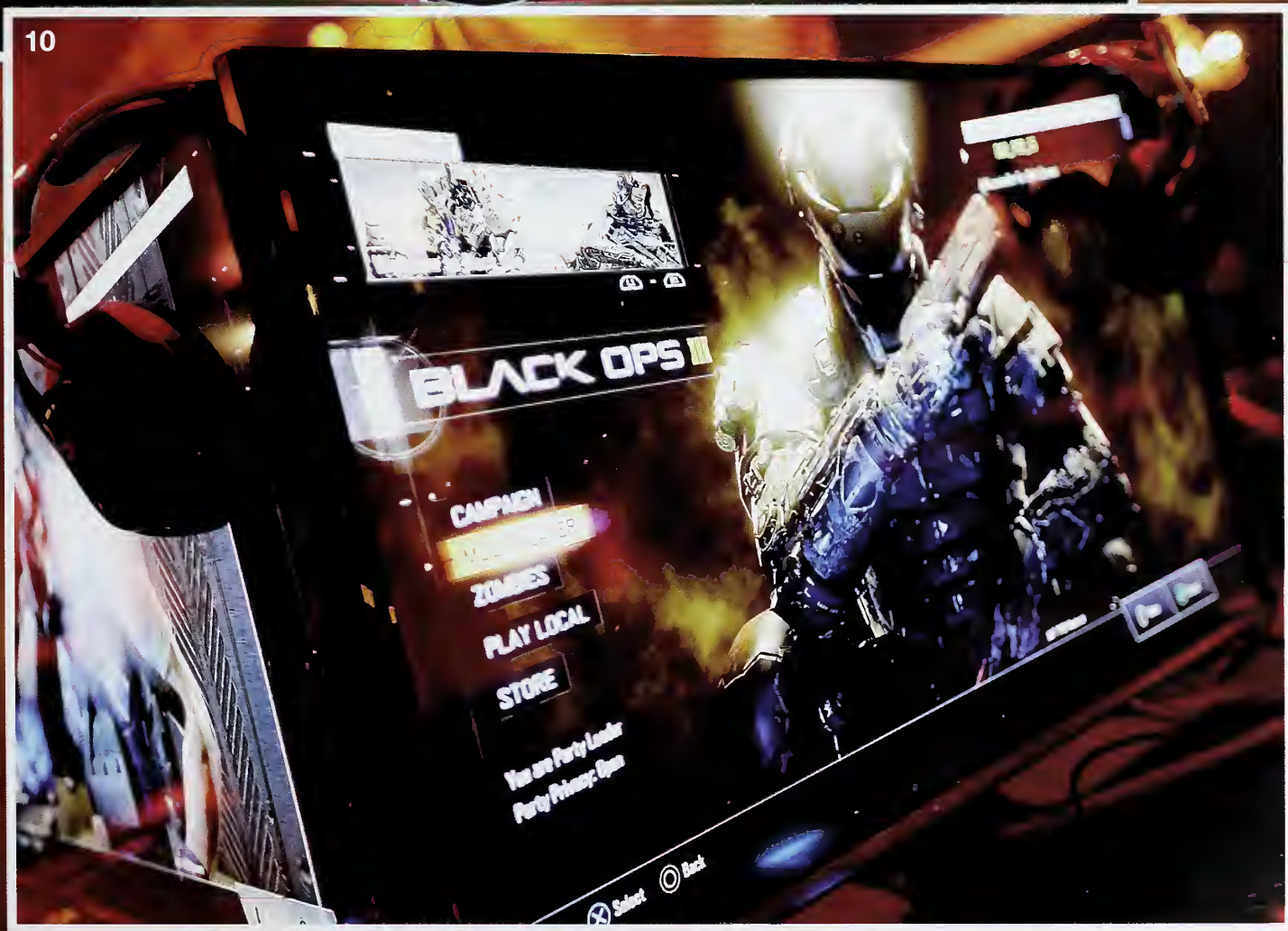




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BRANDS

1. LEGO IS LIFE
Life Lego was named Forbes Most Powerful Brand of 2015 after debuting their new *Lego Marvel's Avengers* and *Lego Jurassic World* toys.

TOP 10

MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN 2015



1. Apple, $145.3 billion
2. Microsoft, $69.3 billion
3. Google, $65.6 billion
4. Coca-Cola, $56 billion
5. IBM, $49.8 billion
6. McDonald's, $39.5 billion
7. Samsung, $37.9 billion
8. Toyota, $37.8 billion
9. General Electric (GE), $37.5 billion
10. Facebook, $36.5 billion

http://www.forbes.com/pictures/mli45fdhfm/1-apple/

HOW TEENS SPEND MONEY

http://www.businessinsider.com/how-teens-are-spending-money-2015-4





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